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## News Tracker ... What's new with old news

## States

**Fia, flight-to-die case:** A judge Friday refused to order a new trial to determine whether severely brain-damaged Terri Schiavo would want to be kept alive artificially.

The ruling in the long-running right-to-die case moves Schiavo's husband one step closer to having her feeding tube removed, but Circuit Judge George Greer in Clearwater blocked removal of the tube until at least Dec. 6 so Schiavo's parents can decide whether to appeal.

**1969 race riots homicide:** An appeals court upheld the murder convictions of two white men for killing a black woman during the 1969 York, Pa., race riots, saying the defendants failed to show they were harmed by the 32-year delay in the case.

The three-judge Superior Court panel Tuesday denied the claims of Gregory H. Neff and Robert N. Messersmith, who were arrested in 2001 and were among 10 men charged with crimes related to the death of Lillie Belle Allen, a 27-year-old mother of two from Aiken, S.C.

**Commuter plane crash:** The cause of a commuter plane crash that killed 13 people remained a mystery, but investigators said the plane lacked an updated system that warns pilots when they fly too low.

The plane had an earlier version of the terrain warning system that met current regulations, National Transportation Safety Board spokesman Keith Holloway said. It was en route from St. Louis to Kirksville Regional Airport in northeastern Missouri when it crashed Tuesday, killing 13 of the 15 people aboard.

**Factory explosion investigation:** Federal investigators found dozens of safety violations, from defective equipment to poor worker training, at a plastics factory in Illinois, Ill., where an explosion killed five people in April.

The Occupational Safety and Health Administration on Friday imposed \$361,500 in fines against Formosa Plastics Corp.

**Suspected Pinochet official arrested:** A Chilean man whom U.S. officials claim was a security official for former Chilean dictator Augusto Pinochet was arrested at his home after an immigration judge ruled he must leave the country.

Fernando Melgarejo, 49, was arrested



MATTHEW SCHWARTZ/Courtesy of the U.S. Navy

**Old fashioned firefighting:** A member of the Edo Firemanship Preservation Association demonstrates traditional firefighting techniques on top of an 18th century ladder on Friday during the ribbon-cutting ceremony for the new fire station at Atsugi Naval Air Facility, Japan.

Thursday at his Los Angeles home after a San Diego immigration judge rejected his request for voluntary departure.

Melgarejo testified during his immigration proceedings that he was present on at least four occasions when "leftist extremists" were tortured using electric shocks, according to a U.S. Immigration and Customs Enforcement statement.

## Military

**Boeing/Air Force scandal:** Former Boeing Co. Chief Financial Officer Michael Sears is expected to plead guilty next month to illegally offering a job to a former top Air Force procurement official who favored the aerospace giant on several multimillion dollar contracts.

But according to a source familiar with the investigation, prosecutors also are trying to get Sears to admit that his improper talks with the Air Force official tainted key Boeing defense contracts and hurt taxpayers. He has resisted making this admission.

## World

**Kyoto Protocol ratification:** Russia's lower house of parliament has ratified the Kyoto Protocol on cutting greenhouse gases, but all ensuring the sweeping environmental pact will go into effect after years of delays.

Russia's ratification on Friday was the final acceptance needed among major industrial countries after the treaty was rejected by the United States, which alone accounted for 36 percent of carbon dioxide emissions in 1990. The pact will apply only to nations that ratify it.

**IRA suspect arraigned:** An Irish Republican Army suspect extradited from Spain has been arraigned Friday on a charge of bombing the British army's headquarters in Northern Ireland eight years ago.

Michael Rogan, 44, pleaded not guilty to three charges — including two charges of possessing information likely to be of IRA use — when initially charged in police custody Thursday night, a police official said.

**EU constitution:** Italy, which hosts the signing ceremony, intends to become the first country to ratify it, the foreign minister said Friday.

Franco Trattini said the Cabinet will pass a decree for the ratification of the European Union's constitutional treaty in the afternoon of Oct. 29, hours after the signing in Rome. The ratification must then be approved by parliament.

## Business

**Beef trade dispute:** Negotiators struck a deal Saturday to allow limited imports of American beef into Japan for the first time since Tokyo closed its lucrative market last year over mad cow disease fears, Japanese and U.S. officials said.

The general agreement, the details of which will be worked out in coming weeks, came at the end of three days of contentious talks between American and Japanese officials. The pact will also lead to the resumption of Japanese beef exports to the United States.

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# N. Korea threatens to boost nuclear 'deterrent'

## Powell rejects Pyongyang's demand for 'reward' if it agrees to resume talks

The Associated Press



Secretary of State Colin Powell arrives in Tokyo on Saturday starting his East Asian tour. Powell intends to work out a strategy with Japan, China and South Korea on how to revive the stalled nuclear talks with North Korea.

SEOUL — North Korea dismissed Secretary of State Colin Powell's Asian trip as pre-U.S. election trickery Saturday and warned it will double its nuclear deterrent force if Washington persists in challenging the North's nuclear weapons programs.

While en route to Japan, Powell rejected Pyongyang's demands that the United States "reward" the communist country before it will agree to return to six-party discussions on its nuclear programs.

"This is a six-party discussion, not a U.S.-North Korea discussion or an exchange of U.S. and North Korean talking points," Powell said.

North Korea, which insists it needs a nuclear deterrent against a U.S. invasion, said Saturday that talks can only recommence when Washington drops its hostile policy toward it and promises a "reward for freeze" on its nuclear activities.

"If the U.S. persistently pursues its confrontational hostile policy toward the DPRK from the viewpoint of escapism, it will only compel the DPRK to double its deterrent force, much less any solution to the nuclear issue," Pyongyang's official Rodong newspaper said, using the acronym for Democratic People's Republic of Korea, the North's official name.

Washington has said it would provide economic benefits to the North once Pyongyang has demonstrated a credible commitment to permanent and verifiable disarmament.

Powell arrived in Tokyo on Saturday evening shortly after several powerful earthquakes shook northwestern Japan. After separate meetings Sunday with Prime Minister Junichiro Koizumi and Foreign Minister Nobutaka Machimura, Powell will travel to China and South Korea. He intends to consult with the countries he's visiting on how to assure the North that Washington is not interested in attacking it and how to revive the stalled multilateral talks.

The six-party negotiations include the two Koreas, the United States, Russia, China and Japan. Three rounds of talks, held in Beijing, have yielded little progress. A fourth round was set for September, but North Korea refused to attend.

On Saturday, Pyongyang sneered at Powell's trip, with a spokesman from the North's Foreign Ministry describing Washington's diplomatic effort as a "sleight of hand in the run-up to the [U.S.] presidential elections."

Democratic presidential candidate Sen. John Kerry contends that the government has mishandled the North Korean problem and should have embraced former President Clinton's

policy of direct talks with Pyongyang rather than the six-nation talks.

Some officials in Washington believe North Korea is hiding its time on nuclear negotiations, sensing that Kerry might win the election and be easier to deal with than President Bush, who has labeled North Korea part of an "axis of evil."

On Saturday, Powell dismissed North Korean concerns about hostile U.S. intent. "We have no intention of invading them, no plans to attack," he said.

But the North Korean news agency said upcoming joint U.S.-Japan naval exercises are a clear indication of U.S. hostility. The exercises are part of an international effort to block the smuggling of nuclear technology.

The North Korean statement said the maneuvers are an "undisguised" attempt to "blockade and strangle" the country.

Powell noted that the international anti-smuggling effort, known as the Proliferation Security Initiative, is endorsed by the U.N. Security Council.

"There's nothing wrong with naval forces coming together to exercise for the purpose of seeing if we can do a better job of keeping the most dangerous cargos from reaching the most irresponsible purchasers of such cargo," Powell said. "It does not threaten North Korea. It protects the rest of the world."

# Rumsfeld affirms strength of alliance with South Korea

BY JOSEPH GIORDANO  
Stars and Stripes

SEOUL — The top defense officials from South Korea and United States emerged from an annual one-day meeting in Washington on Friday expressing "satisfaction" with recent troop reduction and relocation plans, and a warning to North Korea that any use of weapons of mass destruction would be met with "the gravest consequences."

U.S. Secretary of Defense Donald Rumsfeld and South Korean Minister of National Defense Yoon Kwang-un held a joint press conference and issued a three-page, 13-point "joint communiqué" after the 36th Security Consultative Meeting.

Rumsfeld and Yoon, along with senior defense and foreign affairs officials from both nations, discussed U.S. military capabilities in South Korea, the reduction of forces by 12,500 troops over the next three years and the threat posed by North Korea, the Pentagon said.

"Both agreed that initiatives to enhance combined capabilities, transfer military missions, and realign U.S. forces based in [South] Korea, once fully implemented, will significantly strengthen the alliance while adapting it to changes in the global security environment," the joint statement read.

"Noting those changes, the Secretary and the Minister once again affirmed the continuing importance of the strategic flexibility of U.S. forces in South Korea."

Both sides agreed the 50-year alliance between the two nations — colored mainly by the Cold War — must adapt to "changes in the global security environment."

Part of that change is relocating U.S. bases to areas south of Seoul and spending \$1 billion over the next three years to increase high-tech capabilities of both sides.

The two sides also reviewed the transfer of 10 military mission areas from U.S. to South Korean troops, emphasizing the "importance of maintaining readiness" as the transfers and realignment occur, the statement read.

On North Korea, the two sides said the reduction of U.S. troops on the peninsula "would not weaken the combined deterrent and defensive capabilities of the alliance and warned that for anyone to perceive such a weakening would be a mistake."

The two men also renewed their call for North Korea to "cease the testing, development, deployment, and export of weapons of mass destruction, missiles, and related technologies."

The North has denied seeking to export nuclear technology, saying its weapons program is its own "war deterrent" against U.S. aggression.

Also Friday, Rumsfeld thanked South Korean officials for deploying some 3,000 troops to Iraq and Afghanistan. The deployment is largely unpopular in South Korea — the government increased its troop alert level after threats related to the troops' presence in Iraq.

At the press conference, Yoon said the Future of the Alliance Policy Initiative — the framework on which base realignment decisions have been made — was "very successful."

"But," he said, according to a Pentagon transcript of the briefing, "in the future we have a need to continue that type of dialogue. Therefore, we're going to call this mechanism [the Strategic Policy Initiative, through which we will continue to develop the solidarity and unity of the alliance.]"

Questions for Rumsfeld were dominated by Iraq, with one reporter asking if a widening insurgency would qualify as a quagmire.

After a long list of what he called encouraging signs of progress, Rumsfeld dismissed the question and told the reporter, "Now, you can call that a quagmire if you'd like to, but it's at your option."

On Thursday, the two countries' chairmen of the joint chiefs of staff met for similar meetings. Gen. Richard Myers of the United States emerged from his meeting with South Korean Gen. Kim Jong-hwan saying U.S. military capability would not be weakened by the reduction or relocation plans.

The two chiefs met for the Military Committee Meeting, a day ahead of the SCM talks.

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# USS Erie makes presence known in Pacific waters

BY NANCY MONTGOMERY  
Stars and Stripes

The Navy ship that bills itself as able to destroy ballistic missiles in the "exatospheric battle space" made a big splash during a visit to the Japanese port town that bills itself as the "front door to Russia, China and North and South Korea."

When it pulled in to Niigata on the west coast of Japan on Oct. 11, the USS Lake Erie, a critical piece in the emerging U.S. missile-defense system, was met at the pier by hundreds of Japanese, some happy to see it, others, not so much, according to local newspapers.

The ship commander, Capt. Joseph Horn Jr., gave a press conference where, according to one Japanese publication, the following exchange occurred with the locals:

"Why did you come here, then? Is this to monitor North Korean threats?"

"This is a routine visit," Horn replied. "We are here to nurture the friendship with the local people."

"Do you have SM-3s on board? Are they going to be loaded on the ships that deploy to the Sea of Japan?"

"I cannot answer questions that pertain to operational matters."

The ship was in port for three days, and it was the first visit by an Aegis-equipped U.S. ship. According to the Kyodo News, the port call was widely seen as part of the Navy's missile defense efforts against perceived North Korean ballistic missile threats.

The Lake Erie, in its first deployment away from its Pearl Harbor, Hawaii, homeport in nearly five years, was temporarily assigned to the 7th Fleet several weeks ago. The guided-missile cruiser is famed for test-firing missiles at purported enemy ballistic missiles to destroy them in flight.

The 7th Fleet also is contributing three warships in rotating patrols in the Sea of Japan that are supposed to be able to detect any ballistic missile firings and relay the information to systems capable of shooting it down, including, in theory, the Erie and land-based systems in California and Alaska that are to be operational by the end of the year. The other Aegis-equipped warships modified for the patrols are the USS Fitzgerald, which recently joined the 7th Fleet from San Diego, and the USS John McCain.

The first ship to take the patrol was the USS Curtis Wilbur, which left Yokosuka the last week of September.

Lt. Cmdr. Marc Boyd, the 7th Fleet spokesman, said the Erie will spend most of its time under 7th Fleet control on missile defense.

"It will participate in a number of exercises," he said. "It's here to support operations and exercises, which encompasses much more than missile defense."

The ship most recently was in the Philippines, where it went to Tacloban on Oct. 17 for an observation of the 60th anniversary of the Battle of Leyte Gulf.

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# Earthquakes saw Japan

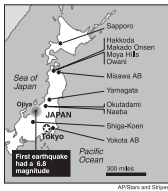
## At least 15 killed and more than 700 injured

BY ERIC TALMADGE  
The Associated Press

OIYA, Japan — Strong aftershocks rocked northern Japan Sunday after a barrage of powerful quakes jolted the region the day before, killing at least 15 people and toppling buildings. More than 700 were reported injured and at least ten people were missing as tens of thousands were evacuated to emergency shelters.

Saturday's quakes — the most powerful a magnitude 6.8 — were spread over several hours and centered in the city of Oiya, about 160 miles northwest of Tokyo. The tremors knocked a bullet train from its rails, ripped dramatic tears through roadways and made buildings sway in the capital.

The quakes ripped one road leading into Oiya in half, leaving an 8-inch gap down the middle and one side elevated above the other. Stretches of other roads had been transformed into concrete waves.



The second floor of the local branch of Jusco, a nationwide supermarket chain, collapsed.

"There were 300 customers inside when the earthquake hit, and everyone tried to grab something nearby to keep from being knocked off their feet," said Reiko Takahashi, the store's manager as

An appliance shop is destroyed following powerful earthquakes at Oiya, northwestern Japan, on Saturday. The shop stood guard to prevent looting or possible injuries.

The first quake hit at 5:56 p.m. and was centered about 12 miles beneath the earth's surface, the Meteorological Agency said. At least a half dozen more tremors hit intermittently over the following hours, including quakes of magnitudes 6.2 and 5.9, the agency said.

Military troops were dispatched to help assess the damage, and began delivering help to affected areas after daybreak. Multiple aftershocks kept residents on edge early Sunday, including quakes measuring magnitude 4.4 and 4.3.

Akiyo Kazama, 71, was using a crowbar to dig his smashed minivan out from under a collapsed storehouse when an aftershock hit, prompting him to run away from the building.

"We are lucky to be alive. I wasn't hurt at all, but my wife

broke some ribs and is in the hospital," Kazama said, adding that three houses in the neighborhood were completely flattened. The quakes were centered in relatively rural areas away from major population centers. The government has estimated that some 7,000 people would die if such a powerful quake were to hit the Tokyo area.

A 34-year-old man died after a wall fell on him as he fled his home in Tokamachi. Three children died when their house collapsed, while a two-month-old baby was killed after being stunned by an aftershock.

Altogether, the quake killed 13 people and injured about 200, the Fire and Disaster Management Agency said.

Kyodo News put the death toll at 14 and the injured at over 700, based on surveys of local hospitals.

Hospitals overflowed with patients, and doctors were treating the wounded in hallways and reception areas.

Sewage and water mains burst, gas and telephone services were down. Close to 280,000 homes were out of power, said Satoshi Arakawa, a spokesman for Tohoku Electric.

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## Volunteers aid post-typhoon clean-up

The Yomiuri Shimbun (KRT)

TOKYO — Residents and volunteers from various parts of Japan began working together Saturday to clean up muddied houses and restore life to normal in areas in Hyogo and Kyoto prefectures devastated by Typhoon Tokage.

In a show of gratitude to volunteers who helped rebuild life in Kobe after 1995's Great Hanshin Earthquake, volunteers from Kobe have rushed to devastated areas to provide assistance on the first weekend after the typhoon.

On Saturday morning, 18 students from Hyogo Prefectural Maiko High School in Tarumi Ward, Kobe, arrived in Toyooka, Hyogo Prefecture — the site where the Murayamagawa River burst its banks. The students arrived in the area after a 3½ hour bus ride in a minibus provided by the Osaka Volunteer Center.

The students are taking an environmental awareness and disaster prevention course established by the school in the 2002 academic year after it saw a need for students to study volunteer activities in light of the devastation left by the earthquake.

The students on the course lived through that earthquake and know first-hand what it is like in the aftermath of a natural disaster. They voluntarily stepped forward to help people in the affected areas.

Second-year student Genta Nakano, 17, who also participated in efforts to help people in Fukui Prefecture stricken by floods in July, said he could not believe Toyooka had been damaged so badly.

"I learned from my experience in Fukui that I could help people," he said. "So I want to go to help [Toyooka]."

Another second-year student, Naoto Kaneda, 16, said that because volunteers had helped people

in Kobe after the earthquake, it was her turn to help others.

First-year student Tomoya Matsuo, 16, said he was nervous because this was the first time he had been in a disaster area.

"One person can't do much, but volunteers working together can be helpful to victims," he said.

Seven members of the Fukui Saigai (Disaster) Volunteer Network, a nonprofit organization established in June last year in Fukui Prefecture, went to Maizuru and Miyazu, Kyoto Prefecture, to help establish volunteer centers there.

A network official said many volunteers from Kyoto helped residents in Fukui after the torrential rains in July, adding that volunteers from Fukui would work hard to repay the people of Kyoto for their help.

Three network volunteers, including network Chairman Kazuhito Matsumori, 44, arrived in Miyazu on a 4-ton truck carrying various materials, including shovels, buckets and antiseptic solution.

Matsumori told volunteers that even items that appeared to be unusable could still have sentimental value for owners. "When sorting out garbage, you should spend time carefully determining whether it should be disposed of," he said.

About 70 volunteers went to work removing mud that had swamped houses in Tamano, Okayama Prefecture, where five people died in landslides.

Takahashi Shiroi, 26, unemployed, drove for five hours from his home in Nishikomiyama, Hyogo Prefecture, to join the work in Tamano.

"My house was destroyed in the Great Hanshin Earthquake so I know how painful it is [for people hit by the flood]. Volunteers helped me, so I've to come to help them," he said.

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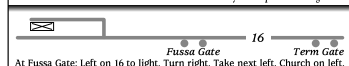
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## Salmon festival

MISAWA, Japan — The 21st Annual Rokkasho Town Salmon Festival, where people can try to catch salmon by hand, is Oct. 30 and 31. Participants also may bring fishing tackle or rent some on site to catch more than 2,000 salmon and other fish.

The event runs all day. The first 400 people will get a free salmon starting at 9:30 a.m. Saturday.

Other events include a two-day stage show with dancing, music, a barbecue, salmon racing and more.

Rokkasho Town is a 45-minute drive north of Misawa Air Base. For more information, call Simon Bernard at commercial 54-2929.

Clinic, a branch of Yokosuka Naval Base's U.S. Naval Hospital command, changed commanders during a recent ceremony in the Community and Education Center.

Cdr. Ronald Dodge, former officer-in-charge, handed command to Lt. Cmdr. Patricia Robinson, who comes from the Bureau of Medicine and Surgery.

"To assume this position is a great honor," said Robinson. "This is an example of what hard work and dedication can do."

Dodge gave an emotional parting speech at the ceremony.

There is no greater honor than leading Navy medicine's finest," he said.

## Misawa fall carnival

MISAWA AIR BASE, Japan — Sollars Elementary School's Par-

ent Teacher Organization will hold a fall carnival for all Sollars students and their families from 5 to 8 p.m. Friday in the school's multi-purpose room.

The event features face painting, a bouncy house, cake walks, carnival games and hot dogs for sale. Tickets cost 50 cents at the door. For more information, call Cynthia Schwartz at DSN 226-3933.

## Navy Ball tickets on sale

Sasebo Naval Base, Japan, is selling tickets for the upcoming Navy Ball, scheduled for Nov. 20 at the base's Harbor View Club.

Ticket prices are \$20 for E-4s and below, \$30 for E-5 and E-6, \$35 for E-7 and above and \$40 for civilians. Civilian spouses of military members pay the equivalent of their spouses' rank.

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## Development screenings

Educational and Developmental Intervention Services and Matthew C. Perry Elementary School will provide free screening for children between 4 months and 5 years old from 8 a.m. until 1 p.m. on Nov. 2 and 3 at the Iwakuni Marine Corps Air Station school.

Officials will evaluate motor, language, problem solving, social and behavioral skills and provide an opportunity for parents to ask questions about their child's development.

Call DSN 253-4562 to schedule an appointment.

## JROTC needs volunteers

The Matthew C. Perry High

School JROTC is looking for volunteers to help with the 2004-05 Commander's Cup intra-school competition on Nov. 13. Volunteers are needed to serve as judges and monitors.

Interested Marines and sailors are asked to contact Gunnery Sgt. Kevin Cronk at DSN 253-3558.

## Town hall meeting

MISAWA AIR BASE, Japan — Misawa's next town hall meeting is from 6 to 8 p.m. Nov. 18 in the Tokuh Enlisted Club ballroom.

The open forum allows base and wing leadership to answer questions from the base community. From Nov. 8-12, people can e-mail their questions to [townhall@misawa.af.mil](mailto:townhall@misawa.af.mil).

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# 22 dead in attacks on Iraq security points

## Man suspected to be senior aide to al-Zarqawi arrested

BY TINI TRAN  
The Associated Press

BAGHDAD — Suicide bombers struck Iraqi security targets Saturday north and west of Baghdad, killing 22 Iraqis, officials said. Six U.S. soldiers were wounded in an ambush on the road to Baghdad airport — one of the country's most dangerous routes.

Elsewhere, the U.S. military announced the arrest of what it said was a newly promoted senior leader in Abu Musab al-Zarqawi's terror movement — taken into custody during an early morning raid near Fallujah.

At least 16 Iraqi policemen were killed and 40 others injured when a suicide driver detonated his car at a police station near a U.S. Marine base in Khan al-Baghdadi, about 140 miles west of the capital, according to police. No Americans were hurt in the 7 a.m. attack, the U.S. military said.

A second suicide driver killed four guardsmen and injured six others in an attack Saturday near an Iraqi National Guard checkpoint in Ishaqi, 6 miles south of Samarra, police said. Another two guardsmen were killed in a convoy attack in the northern part of the city.

The six American soldiers were injured when a roadside

bomb exploded near their patrol about 7:15 a.m. on the main road linking Baghdad International Airport with the city center. One armored vehicle was destroyed but none of the soldiers received life-threatening injuries, the U.S. military said.

Insurgent attacks have increased by 25 percent across the country since the Islamic holy month of Ramadan began last week.

The purported al-Zarqawi aide was arrested along with five other people in a raid before dawn outside Fallujah, the military said.

The person's name was not released, but a U.S. statement said the individual had risen in rank as other al-Zarqawi associates had been killed in U.S. attacks against Fallujah.

Fallujah residents identified those arrested as Abdel-Hamid Fiyadh, 50, his sons Walid, 18, and Majid, 25, and three relatives. Relatives insisted the men had nothing to do with al-Zarqawi.

Al-Zarqawi's group has claimed responsibility in numerous beheadings and suicide car bombings, including recent twin bombings inside Baghdad's Green Zone, where the U.S. and Iraqi leadership are housed.

A videotape posted Saturday on Islamic web sites showed Iraqi

## U.S. deaths in Iraq

The Associated Press

As of Friday, at least 1,104 members of the U.S. military have died since the beginning of the Iraq war in March 2003, according to an Associated Press count. At least 844 died as a result of hostile action, according to the Defense Department. The figures include three military civilians.

The AP count is three higher than the Defense Department's tally, last updated at 10 a.m. Friday.

The British military has reported 67 deaths; Italy, 19; Poland, 13; Spain, 11; Ukraine, nine; Bulgaria, six; Slovakia, three; Thailand, two; the Netherlands, two; and Denmark, El Salvador, Estonia, Hungary and Latvia have reported one death each.

Since May 1, 2003, when President Bush declared that major combat operations in Iraq had ended, 966 U.S. military members have died, according to AP's count. That includes at least 735 deaths resulting from hostile action, according to the military's numbers.

The latest deaths reported by the military:

■ None reported.

The latest identification reported by the military:

■ Marine Sgt. Douglas E. Bascom, 25, Colorado Springs, Colo.; killed Wednesday in Iraq's Anbar province; assigned to 2nd Battalion, 5th Marine Regiment, 1st Marine Division, 1st Marine Expeditionary Force, Camp Pendleton, Calif.

milants claiming to have beheaded a man who said he worked for the U.S. military in the northern city of Mosul for the last year.

The man, who identified himself as Saif Adnan Kanan, said he fixed vehicles and delivered drinks to U.S. forces based at Mosul airport. The killing was claimed by the Ansar al-Sunnah group.

Also Saturday, the husband of the kidnapped director of CARE International's operations in Iraq appealed for her release.

Margaret Hassan, 59, who has British, Irish and Iraqi citizenship, was seized Tuesday in western Baghdad. On Friday, Hassan, 59, made an emotional televised plea to British Prime Minister Tony Blair to save her life by withdrawing his country's troops from Iraq.

On Saturday, her Iraqi husband, Tahseen Ali Hassan, begged for the kidnappers to free her "in the name of Islam."

"It hurts to watch my wife cry,"

Tahseen Hassan said on Al-Arabiya television. "This scene has saddened and worried her friends and loved ones. I plead with you, in the name of Islam and Arabism — while we are in the most sacred Islamic month — that my wife and beloved return to me."

The secretary-general of CARE International's secretary-general made his own appeal Saturday for her release.

"She is a naturalized Iraqi citizen and always holds the people of Iraq in her heart," Denis Calliaux said. "CARE joins with many of the people whose lives Mrs. Hassan has touched over her decades of service in Iraq in reaching out to her captors to appeal to their humanity."

Militants have kidnapped at least seven other foreign women over the past six months, and all were released. By contrast, at least 33 foreign male hostages have been killed, including three Americans beheaded by their captors.

In other developments Saturday:

■ A mortar round landed in a central Baghdad neighborhood, killing two people and injuring one.

■ An unexploded mortar was found inside Japan's military base in Samawah. It was the first such incident since hundreds of Japanese troops arrived on a humanitarian mission, a Japanese official said.

■ Gunmen opened fire on a convoy of U.S. trucks in Mosul, killing two drivers — a Turk and a Yugoslav — and wounding two others, hospital and police officials said.

## More than 800 former soldiers fail to report

The Associated Press

WASHINGTON — More than 800 former soldiers have failed to comply with Army orders to get back in uniform and report for duty in Iraq or Afghanistan, the Army said Friday. That is more than one-third of the total who were told to report to a mobilization station by Oct. 17.

Three weeks ago the number stood at 622 amid talk that who who refused to report for duty could be declared Absent Without Leave.

Refusing to report for duty normally would lead to AWOL charges, but the Army is going out of its way to resolve these cases as quietly as possible.

In all, 41,666 members of the Individual Ready Reserve have re-

ceived mobilization orders since July 6, of which 2,288 were to have reported by Oct. 17. The others are to report in coming weeks and months.

Of those by now to have reported by now, 1,445 have done so, but 843 have neither reported nor asked for a delay or exemption. That no-show rate of 37 percent is roughly in line with the one-third rate the Army had forecast when it began the mobilization to fill positions in regular and Reserve units. By comparison, the no-show total of 622 three weeks ago equated to a 35 percent rate.

Of the 843, the Army has had follow-up contact with 383 and is seeking to resolve their cases, according to figures made public Friday. For the 460 others, "We are still working to establish positive contact," the Army said.

## Army captain sues to block deployment

NEW YORK — An Army captain sued the government Friday to block his pending deployment to Iraq, saying he resigned in June after completing eight years of service in the Army and Army Reserve.

Jay J. Ferriola, 31, said in the lawsuit in U.S. District Court in Manhattan that Defense Secretary Donald Rumsfeld unlawfully continues to exercise control over him even though he properly resigned and was asked to turn in his equipment. The New York resident has never received a written, official response to his resignation request, said the lawsuit.

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# Campaign finale turning to 'extreme politics'

By Tom Raum  
The Associated Press

WASHINGTON — As the presidential race winds down, the two camps are dialing up the rhetoric. That's led to some far-out statements, unscripted behavior and foot-in-mouth comments from both sides.

Generating homestretch shock waves were Vice President Dick Cheney's nuclear-bomb threat warnings for U.S. cities, Sen. John Kerry's efforts to blame President Bush for flu vaccine shortages and Teresa Heinz Kerry's suggestion that Laura Bush never had a "real job."

Heinz Kerry apologized, saying she "forgot" that the first lady worked for 10 years as a teacher and librarian.

The comment, which could hurt Kerry among undecided women voters who are stay-at-home moms, appeared to reflect the enormous pressures on both campaigns in a close race.

"Part of what's happening is the consequence of all the tensions and anxieties from the fact that neither candidate made a big move in the polls after the debates. We're left with the same dead heat we had at the start," said Wayne Fields, an expert in presidential rhetoric at Washington University in St. Louis.

Republicans are still seething at Kerry for mentioning Cheney's openly gay daughter in the final presidential debate. "I thought it was over the line," Bush said last week in an interview with The Associated Press. Kerry has said he was just complimenting the Cheneys on their parenting.

## Kerry says he would have caught bin Laden

The Associated Press

RENO, Nev. — Democratic Sen. John Kerry said Friday that Osama bin Laden would be in captivity or dead if he would have been president during the war against Afghanistan.

Kerry accused President Bush of allowing bin Laden to escape by relying on Afghan warlords to try to hunt the al-Qaida chief down in the caves of Tora Bora in December 2001.

"Can you imagine trusting them when you have your 10th Mountain Division, the United States Marine Corps, when you had all the power and ability of the best-trained military in the world?"

Kerry told a rally at the University of Nevada-Reno. "I would have used our military and we would have gone in and captured or killed Osama bin Laden. That's tough."

Kerry said Bush is trying to make the election about national security and the war on terror, and he welcomes the debate.

"You want to talk about the war on terror, Mr. President? Let's talk about it," Kerry yelled while his supporters cheered him on.

"Let's talk about what happened when you let Osama bin Laden escape in Afghanistan."

And then there was the claim by Pat Robertson that God told him Iraq would be "inessy," but that Bush assured the religious broadcaster in early 2003 there would be no U.S. casualties. Bush aides denied the president said any such thing.

With people concerned about the economy and Iraq, both candidates are turning to extreme politics to try to tug the needle in their favor.

Kerry accuses Bush of pondering a revival of the military draft and planning a "January sur-

prise" on Social Security. Bush lashed the Massachusetts senator an unrepentant tax-and-spend "liberal" too wishy-washy to stand up to the terrorist threat.

Each suggests the other would lead the country toward despair, debt, towering debt.

"Everybody's beginning to recognize the stakes of this election are huge, both campaigns are tired, and they appear to be letting it all hang out," said GOP consultant Scott Reed, who ran Bob Dole's 1996 presidential campaign.

Flu vaccine was not an issue in

"Let's talk about what happened when we had the world's number one terrorist, number one criminal, cornered in the mountains of Tora Bora. What did the president do? Do you know what he did? He outsourced the job of capturing him, just like he outsourced a lot of American jobs. He gave it to Afghan warlords who only one week earlier were fighting against us."

Meanwhile, President Bush said on Friday the choice facing voters amounts to who can keep Americans safer from terrorists, and his opponent does not measure up.

"All progress on every other issue depends on the safety of our citizens," Bush told supporters in a sports arena in Wilkes-Barre, Pa., delivering a retooled stump speech that portrays Kerry as naive on terrorism and eager to raise taxes.

Bush suggested his Democratic rival "does not understand the enemy we face and has no idea how to keep America secure." His campaign reinforced that theme with a new television ad with chilling imagery of prowling wolves in a dense forest. "Weakness attracts those who are waiting to do America harm," an announcer says.

the debates. Since then, it has become a major one.

Kerry claimed — and the administration denied — that Bush aides got advance word of a supply disruption and did nothing about it.

Kerry said the inability to get the vaccine to Americans was "a serious demonstration of the failure of leadership."

Democrats criticized Cheney and leading Republicans for getting their shots while those officials were urging healthy people to forgo inoculations to free up supplies. Cheney, who has a history of heart disease, did so at the advice of his doctor, aides said.

Bush, Kerry and running mate John Edwards are skipping the shots.

Cheney has stepped up his attacks on Kerry's fitness to be com-

mander in chief. Last week he called Kerry unsuited for dealing with the "ultimate threat of terrorists who bombed U.S. cities with nuclear weapons."

"You've got to get your mind around the concept," Cheney told Ohio supporters, suggesting Kerry could not. Kerry accused the administration of failing to safeguard sensitive materials in Russia and elsewhere.

Cheney's earlier claim that a CIA report concluding that Saddam Hussein had no weapons of mass destruction actually reinforced the administration's case for going to war led Edwards to say Bush and Cheney were "completely out of touch with reality."

Had enough mudslinging? If not, there always is independent candidate Ralph Nader. He says this year's election presents voters with a choice between "heart disease and cancer."

The close race also seems to be producing gaffes that reinforce negative stereotypes; for instance, Bush as language-challenged and Kerry as vain and aloof.

In a New Jersey speech on terrorism, Bush asserted: "We will finish the war we have started. We will stand up for terror, we will stand up for freedom."

The next day he joked to supporters in Florida: "In the last few years, the American people have gotten to know me. They know my blunt way of speaking. I get that from Mother. They know I sometimes mangle the English language. I get that from Dad."

Kerry went hunting for geese in Ohio — hoping for a photo op that would sway gun-owning voters. But when he bought a nonresident hunting license he seen stumped when asked by a clerk what hair color should be entered into the computer to describe the buyer.

"Salt and pepper," the graying candidate said. When told by the clerk that the system would only let him pick a simple color, Kerry settled for gray.

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# Hot topics on ballots could draw more voters

By DAVID CRARY

The Associated Press

The heated Bush-Kerry race might seem reason enough for voters to turn out on Nov. 2, but in many states extra incentive is provided by ballot measures on topics ranging from marijuana legalization and minimum wages to malpractice and same-sex marriage.

While Republican strategists hope proposed gay-marriage bans — on the ballots in 11 states — will boost conservative turnout in favor of President Bush, some Democratic-leaning groups say proposals to increase the minimum wage could draw additional John Kerry backers to the polls in battleground states Florida and Nevada.

On the ballots in 34 states are 163 measures, most initiated by legislators but 61 of them resulting from citizen petition campaigns. There also are intriguing local measures — voters in Nevada's Churchill County could ban brothels, while Berkeley, Calif., voters could effectively legalize prostitution by directing police to make it their lowest priority.

Same-sex marriage is the No. 1 topic in terms of the number of states addressing it, and perhaps in volatility as well. The proposed state constitutional amendments in Mississippi, Montana and Oregon would ban gay marriage, while proposals in eight other states — Arkansas, Georgia, Kentucky, Michigan, North Dakota, Ohio, Oklahoma and Utah — would ban civil unions as well.

Kerry might be helped by the Florida and Nevada proposals to create a state minimum wage of \$6.15 an hour — a dollar higher than the federal minimum wage.

"Low-income voters are being mobilized in support of the minimum wage, many of whom will literally be voting to give themselves a raise," said Kristina Wilfong of the liberal Ballot Initiative Strategy Center. "These voters are more likely to vote for a Democratic candidate than a Republican."

Other issues on ballots in multiple states:

■ **Marijuana:** If voters approve, Montana would become the 10th state to legalize pot for medical purposes, Oregon would dramati-



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Sue Doerfer, center, and partner Brynna Fish listen during a gathering in downtown Cleveland, Ohio, on Tuesday of area clergy protesting ballot Issue 1, which would ban gay marriage and limit the rights of couples who are not legally married. Ohio is one of 11 states with gay-marriage bans on the ballot in November.

cally expand its existing medical-marijuana program, and Alaska would become the first state to decriminalize marijuana altogether.

■ **Medical malpractice:** Doctors are squaring off with trial lawyers

in Nevada, Wyoming, Oregon and Florida, with voters judging their bitter dispute over whether to impose limits on pain and suffering awards and on attorneys' fees in malpractice cases.

■ **Gambling:** California and

Washington voters will decide whether to create more competition for tribal casinos by expanding non-Indian gambling. Other measures would create a state lottery in Oklahoma, take a step toward allowing slot machines at South Florida race tracks, and legalize casinos in Nebraska.

■ **Taxes:** Voters have a chance to lower taxes in Maine by capping property taxes and, in South Dakota, by eliminating the sales tax on groceries. Voters in Washington, Arkansas and Cleveland are being asked to pay more taxes to boost education funding.

■ **Election reform:** Colorado's Amendment 36 would change the allocation of electoral votes from winner-take-all to a proportional system. California and Washington voters could replace party primaries with open primaries in which the top two finishers — regardless of affiliation — would advance to the general election.

■ **Immigration:** In Arizona, illegal immigration is the focus of a hotly debated measure that would require people to produce proof of citizenship when registering to vote and crack down on efforts by illegal aliens to obtain government services.



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# Family tells of surviving storm

By TOM VERDIN  
The Associated Press

**COURTRIGHT RESERVOIR, Calif.** — As an experienced backpacker, Frank Horath knew to check the weather forecast before leaving on an overnight hike with family members to an alpine lake in the Sierra National Forest.

The forecast said weather would be clear in the mountains through the weekend, with a storm moving in Monday. They would be home well before then, he thought.

As Horath, his brother-in-law and their sons huddled in their camp Saturday night at nearly 9,500 feet on the shore of Rae Lake, it became clear the forecast had been wrong. The storm was early — and it was worse than they ever imagined.

They awoke Sunday morning, Oct. 17, to 6 inches of fresh snow.

Watching more snow fall constantly, they knew they were trapped.

"It just snuck up on us," Horath said.

By the time the storm let up Wednesday night, it had dumped 4 feet of snow at the Sierra Nevada's highest elevations and whipped the mountains with 50 mph wind gusts. It stranded groups of backpackers and rock climbers from Yosemite National Park south to Mount Whitney, setting in motion a series of dramatic high-elevation rescues.

By Thursday, clear weather allowed rescuers to reach all the hikers stranded in the mountain range. Park rangers and rescuers credited their survival with their decision to remain in their tents until the storm broke.

It was warm and dry when Horath, a 45-year-old financial adviser, set out on the 13-mile trail to Rae Lake with his 16-year-old son, Dominic, his brother-in-law, 47-year-old Paul Bargetto, and Bargetto's 20-year-old son Michael.

Expecting clear weather, they packed lightly. They had more shorts than pants, some had only lightweight hiking shoes and none took gloves. There were only two pairs of wool socks among them.

Once the storm hit and it became clear they were stranded, the group decided that staying put was their only option. Horath said thoughts soon turned to how they could survive for a week or more.

They were forced into one tent after the other began leaking, and zipped their sleeping bags together for warmth. Even then, it was a struggle to stay warm and dry.

They rationed their food: five peanuts each for breakfast, a bit of oatmeal for lunch, a scoop of peanut butter for dinner.

There were times of panic. One night, snow fell faster than they could keep it away from the tent.

"It was just coming down very rapidly and at the same time the wind just started blowing at gusts, I don't know," Horath said.

"It was afraid the tent was going to break, and that would probably have been it at that point."

They lifted each other's spirits with humor and faith.

# S.C. town tries to heal wounds

## 10 years after Susan Smith drove her kids into lake, anger lingers

By AMY GEIER EDGAR  
The Associated Press

**UNION, S.C.** — A decade after Susan Smith strapped her sons in their car seats and let her car roll into a lake, carrying the boys to their deaths, residents here are trying to move on.

But for some, the case still evokes strong emotions, even hatred toward Smith.

Prosecutor Tommy Pope, who tried Smith for the crime, said he recently started a conversation in a store with a "little old lady." She was very sweet and polite until the subject of Smith came up, then the woman began to "sound like a sailor," he said.

Smith's boys, 3-year-old Michael and 14-month-old Alex, disappeared Oct. 25, 1994. She told deputies they had been taken in a carjacking and cried on national television as she begged for their safe return.

Nine days later, Smith confessed, and the boys' bodies were found in the car, submerged a few feet from a boat ramp at John D. Long Lake in Union County.

Family members and many officials involved in the case remain silent. Smith, sentenced to life in prison, is not allowed to give press interviews.

"Some people don't want to talk

about it anymore," said Union resident Jimmy Dawkins, fishing at the lake on a recent day.

"They wanted it buried," Smith was convicted in July 1995. Pope had sought the death penalty, and he considers the case a loss.

A photo of Michael and Alex — given to him during the trial by the boys' father, David Smith — still sits in his office, reminding him of why his job is important. "Too often, we lose focus on the victims all too easily," Pope said.

The case increased the black community because Smith claimed a black man carjacked her and drove off with the children.

"It had the makings of one of the worst scenarios you could come across," said Howard Free, owner of Free's Shoe Shop, across the street from the courthouse where Smith's trial was held.

Healing grew out of a faith-based effort, said the Rev. A.L. Brackett, one of the church leaders who worked to bring calm.

Blacks and whites joined for prayer vigils. "Instead of dividing the races at this particular time any further ... it brought them closer together," Brackett said. "It wasn't only whites out there looking for those kids when they thought they'd been kidnapped and taken away."

But 10 years later, he said, the sense of racial unity "wore off" and many people have returned to old habits.

Smith is up for parole on Nov. 4, 2004. Pope says he likely won't go to the hearing but will send his standard letter opposing early release from life sentences.



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## FACES

## Speaking her mind finally pays off for comic

BY TERRY MORROW  
 Scripps Howard News Service

Wanda Sykes' tart tongue didn't help her telemarketing career any.

"I got bored with it quickly," the comic recalls of her pre-fame job. "I'd get halfway through and say, 'you know, are you sure you want to finish this? I got like a 100 more questions.' I'd hang up on me, too, if I was calling."

"Wanda Does It," which airs on Comedy Central, lets Sykes attempt to do more interesting jobs each week. The reality show chronicles her stabs at being a wedding

photographer, a woman's professional basketball coach, short-order cook and even a call girl among other jobs.

"We looked for anything visually interesting with some physicality," Sykes says. "And I love getting into crazy costumes, too."

The show has its added benefits.

Sykes now is a licensed rep agent in California because of the experience she had in sales. In the show, she used the status to repossess a car she regretted selling. "It was my favorite job," she says. "There was a little bit of danger involved." She's also now a licensed limo driver.

"I picked up a couple of people from the

airport," Sykes says, "and I also drove Penny Toler, who is the general manager of the L.A. Sparks" (professional women's basketball team).

Sykes got into standup comedy full-time after a five-year stint working for the federal government as a contracting specialist in Washington, D.C. Prior to that she worked jobs like being the salad bar girl at a family restaurant.

Not all of Sykes' jobs have been memorable. The 40-year-old actress starred in her first sitcom earlier this year on Fox. "Wanda At Large," which she also co-wrote, lasted less than a season.

"I learned that you are pretty much at

the mercy of the network," she says.

She admits her management wasn't as thrilled with her decision to go with a basic cable channel.

"It drives my agents crazy. They say, 'Yeah, you want to be on Comedy Central, but don't you want to be on the networks where a show can run for eight years, and you can make money?' I'd rather be happy than stressed out and fighting with the network."

Outside television, Sykes has been busy. On the big screen, she has finished a role in the comedy "Monster-in-Law," which also stars Jennifer Lopez and Jane Fonda. It's due next summer in theaters.

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## MOVIES

• **SPORTS**

J	6PM	6:30	7PM	7:30	8PM	8:30	9PM	9:30	10PM	10:30	11PM	11:30
6	AFN-P	***ESPNews	AFN Evening News	60 Minutes (CC)	Cold Case: Love's Leap! Ruth and Valeria to reopen a murder case. (CC)		04 Day 3: 100M+ 2:00AM Chase as mountains jump for exciting him, and Jack explains what it takes to be an agent. (CC)		Headline News	The Tonight Show (CC)		Late Show (CC)
7	AFN-Alt	(5:30) Guiding Light (CC)	General Hospital (CC)	Headline News	Judge Judy (CC)	Today (CC)			Recess (E) (CC)	ChalkZone (E) (CC)	DragonTV "Investigate" (CC)	Kim Possible
8	NEWS	Dateline NBC (CC)		Next at CNN		Good Morning America (CC)			Headline News	Channel One	The Early Show (CC)	
9	SPORTS	M4-30/30 Golf Fun! Classic - Final Round. From Walt Disney World Resort in Lake Buena Vista, Fla. (Taped)		***SportsCenter			MHLB Baseball World Series Game 2 - Teams TBA. (Taped)					
10	SPEC	The Simpsons (CC)	Everybody Loves Raymond (E) (CC)	For Love or Money (CC)		Law & Order: "Tragedy on Pye" Video shot by vacationers might help lead police to the killer of an actress. (CC)	American Chopper Emotions run high as the disfigure approaches for the POW/MIA tribute video. (CC)	Friends Probe of how Frank Jr. a message. (CC)	Seinfeld Jerry comes for a hostile home improve. (CC)	Seinfeld George says a proposal for Susan. (CC)	Blind Date (CC)	
11	AFN-Hi	SpongeBob	Rugrats (CC)	Lizzie McGuire	Taina	Smashville "Rugor" (CC)	Boys Meets Boys	The Cosby Show				
12	AFN-MOV	*** "The Night of the Hunter" (1955) Anthony Hopkins, Jennifer Moore, Ray Liotta	*** "Member" (2002) Stephen Amell	*** "The Day After Tomorrow" (2004) Bruce Willis, Hayden Christensen, Danny Glover, Jeff Bridges, and others	*** "The Day After Tomorrow" (2004) Bruce Willis, Hayden Christensen, Danny Glover, Jeff Bridges, and others	*** "The Day After Tomorrow" (2004) Bruce Willis, Hayden Christensen, Danny Glover, Jeff Bridges, and others	*** "The Day After Tomorrow" (2004) Bruce Willis, Hayden Christensen, Danny Glover, Jeff Bridges, and others	*** "The Day After Tomorrow" (2004) Bruce Willis, Hayden Christensen, Danny Glover, Jeff Bridges, and others	*** "The Day After Tomorrow" (2004) Bruce Willis, Hayden Christensen, Danny Glover, Jeff Bridges, and others	*** "The Day After Tomorrow" (2004) Bruce Willis, Hayden Christensen, Danny Glover, Jeff Bridges, and others	*** "The Day After Tomorrow" (2004) Bruce Willis, Hayden Christensen, Danny Glover, Jeff Bridges, and others	*** "The Day After Tomorrow" (2004) Bruce Willis, Hayden Christensen, Danny Glover, Jeff Bridges, and others
13	TMC	(4:35) *** "The Comedy of Terrors" (1964)	(20) *** "The Comedy of Terrors" (1964)	(20) *** "The Comedy of Terrors" (1964)	(20) *** "The Comedy of Terrors" (1964)	(20) *** "The Comedy of Terrors" (1964)	(20) *** "The Comedy of Terrors" (1964)	(20) *** "The Comedy of Terrors" (1964)	(20) *** "The Comedy of Terrors" (1964)	(20) *** "The Comedy of Terrors" (1964)	(20) *** "The Comedy of Terrors" (1964)	(20) *** "The Comedy of Terrors" (1964)
14	PBS	Dragon Tales	Everything's back to back. (E) (CC)	*** "The Day of Thunder" (1990) Drama Tom Cruise, Robert Downey, Nicole Kidman. A coddy chicken from the world of strait-crate. PG-13. (CC)								
15	SHOW											
16	ARE	City Confidential: Business conflicts in Athens, Ga., during the 1970s turned deadly. (CC)	American Justice: Lonna Bobbitt: Women and Violence: Violence in society. (CC)	The Trial of Scott Peterson National attention focuses on the husband of a woman who has disappeared. (CC)								
17	DISC	To Be Announced	To Be Announced	To Be Announced	To Be Announced	To Be Announced	To Be Announced	To Be Announced	To Be Announced	To Be Announced	To Be Announced	To Be Announced
18	TFC	(1:15) Tanging Ni	Misadventures of Ariel and M	(4:45) The Correspondents	Good Morning Kites (in Tagalog)							
19	CNN-I	Larry King Weekend (CC)	CNNI World Sport	World Sport	Business International							
20	GOLF	Clean Sweep PGA Golf Open de Madrid - Final Round. From Madrid, Spain.										
21	TLC	Clean Sweep "Walking From a Night-night" (1990) A different bed and office. (CC)	In a Fix "Dreaming in Dimensions" Chronicle home improvement. (CC)									
22	TOON	Samurai Jack	Dexter's Laboratory	Chronic the Cowardly	Justice League	Powerpuff Girls	Cartoon Cartoon	Looney Tunes				
23	ANPL	The Crocodile Hunter: Funny outfits from Steve's encounters with wild.	Most Extreme: Births Extreme births in the animal kingdom. (CC)	Growing Up "Mansupul" Spotted quail. (CC)								
24	COM	Women on Top: Roseanne	Reno 911! Junior's accidental marriage. (CC)	The Daily Show Bill O'Reilly	*** "High Fidelity" (2000, Comedy-Drama) John Cusack, Louisa. A record-store owner recalls past relationships that failed. (CC)							
25	NGC-A	Planet Wild	Wildlife Detectives	Sneak Wranglers	Yaelian pipi. (CC)	Ocean Worlds						
26	FOX	World's Wildest Police Videos (CC)	CSI: Crime Scene Investigation "Revised Best Case" (CC)	CSI: Crime Scene Investigation "Revised Best Case" (CC)	CSI: Crime Scene Investigation "Revised Best Case" (CC)	CSI: Crime Scene Investigation "Revised Best Case" (CC)	CSI: Crime Scene Investigation "Revised Best Case" (CC)	CSI: Crime Scene Investigation "Revised Best Case" (CC)	CSI: Crime Scene Investigation "Revised Best Case" (CC)	CSI: Crime Scene Investigation "Revised Best Case" (CC)	CSI: Crime Scene Investigation "Revised Best Case" (CC)	CSI: Crime Scene Investigation "Revised Best Case" (CC)
27	SPEK	Remington Steele "Steels Behind" Larry's attraction to an attorney hinders a murder case. (CC)	CSI: Crime Scene Investigation "Revised Best Case" (CC)	CSI: Crime Scene Investigation "Revised Best Case" (CC)	CSI: Crime Scene Investigation "Revised Best Case" (CC)	CSI: Crime Scene Investigation "Revised Best Case" (CC)	CSI: Crime Scene Investigation "Revised Best Case" (CC)	CSI: Crime Scene Investigation "Revised Best Case" (CC)	CSI: Crime Scene Investigation "Revised Best Case" (CC)	CSI: Crime Scene Investigation "Revised Best Case" (CC)	CSI: Crime Scene Investigation "Revised Best Case" (CC)	CSI: Crime Scene Investigation "Revised Best Case" (CC)
28	BET	60 & Park: BET's Top 10 Live	*** "The Five Heartbeats" (1991, Comedy-Drama) Robert Downey Jr. (1990s)	*** "The Five Heartbeats" (1991, Comedy-Drama) Robert Downey Jr. (1990s)	*** "The Five Heartbeats" (1991, Comedy-Drama) Robert Downey Jr. (1990s)	*** "The Five Heartbeats" (1991, Comedy-Drama) Robert Downey Jr. (1990s)	*** "The Five Heartbeats" (1991, Comedy-Drama) Robert Downey Jr. (1990s)	*** "The Five Heartbeats" (1991, Comedy-Drama) Robert Downey Jr. (1990s)	*** "The Five Heartbeats" (1991, Comedy-Drama) Robert Downey Jr. (1990s)	*** "The Five Heartbeats" (1991, Comedy-Drama) Robert Downey Jr. (1990s)	*** "The Five Heartbeats" (1991, Comedy-Drama) Robert Downey Jr. (1990s)	*** "The Five Heartbeats" (1991, Comedy-Drama) Robert Downey Jr. (1990s)
29	COURT	Profiler "Veron" a killer confronts Sam and her team, while leaving signs of his	Cops "Cost to Coast" Prostitution along the coast. (CC)	Cops "Cost to Coast" Prostitution along the coast. (CC)	Cops "Cost to Coast" Prostitution along the coast. (CC)	Cops "Cost to Coast" Prostitution along the coast. (CC)	Cops "Cost to Coast" Prostitution along the coast. (CC)	Cops "Cost to Coast" Prostitution along the coast. (CC)	Cops "Cost to Coast" Prostitution along the coast. (CC)	Cops "Cost to Coast" Prostitution along the coast. (CC)	Cops "Cost to Coast" Prostitution along the coast. (CC)	Cops "Cost to Coast" Prostitution along the coast. (CC)
30	STR-ML	The Simpsons (CC)	The Drew Carey Show (CC)	Star Wars Focus Area	Just Shoot Me	That '70s Show	Everybody Loves Raymond (CC)	Yes, Dear (CC)	Becker (CC)	Boston Public (CC)	Just Shoot Me	That '70s Show (CC)
31	LIFE	The Golden Girls Sophia has an at-a-glance. (CC)	The Golden Girls Sophia has an at-a-glance. (CC)	*** "Double Jeopardy" (1992) Drama A man engages in an affair with a	Bruce Boettcher, Rachel Ward, Sela	*** "Double Jeopardy" (1992) Drama A man engages in an affair with a	*** "Double Jeopardy" (1992) Drama A man engages in an affair with a	*** "Double Jeopardy" (1992) Drama A man engages in an affair with a	*** "Double Jeopardy" (1992) Drama A man engages in an affair with a	***		
32	AFSCAM	7th Heaven Eric's sermon inspires others to try to reach out and help someone in need. (CC)	Smallville "Hourglass" Clark meets a girl who can see the future, a	*** "Back to the Future Part II" (1989) Fantasy/Michael J. Fox, Christopher Lloyd. A man's time traveling is threatened by a dangerous fan.								
33	HIST	SS "The Wallen-Ss" The Wallen-Ss' aspersions invasion of the Soviet Union (CC)	Modern Marvels "Murder Case" Auto manufacturers compete to create high-performance cars. (CC)	UFO Files "UFOs: Then and Now?" Nightfari! Alien abductions. (CC)	Deep Sea Detectives Investigating a mysterious World War II Japanese submarine. (CC)	Deep Sea Detectives Investigating a mysterious World War II Japanese submarine. (CC)	Deep Sea Detectives Investigating a mysterious World War II Japanese submarine. (CC)	Deep Sea Detectives Investigating a mysterious World War II Japanese submarine. (CC)	Deep Sea Detectives Investigating a mysterious World War II Japanese submarine. (CC)	Deep Sea Detectives Investigating a mysterious World War II Japanese submarine. (CC)	Deep Sea Detectives Investigating a mysterious World War II Japanese submarine. (CC)	Deep Sea Detectives Investigating a mysterious World War II Japanese submarine. (CC)
34	STR-W	(5:45) *** "Enemies of Laughter" (2000) David Paymer. A writer refuses to let his play to a director.	(C15) *** "Hackers" (1996, Drama) Jonny Lee Miller, Angelina Jolie, Jesse Bradford. A group of high-tech teens attempts to stop an Argentine juju.									
35	ADV 1	(5:30) Going to	To Be Announced	Chasing Time	To Be Announced	To Be Announced	To Be Announced	To Be Announced	To Be Announced	To Be Announced	To Be Announced	To Be Announced
36	MTV	Pimp My Ride Ford Mustang coming	Pimp My Ride Ford Mustang coming	High School Stories	High School Stories	Room Raiders	Room Raiders	Room Raiders	Room Raiders	Room Raiders	Room Raiders	Room Raiders
37	NICK	Justice "Rugrats" SpongeBob	Justice "The Wild Thornberrys"	Justice "Caddy" The Angiers	Justice "As Told By Ginger"	Rugrats Angiers	SpongeBob SquigglePants (CC)	All That	Even Stevens	The Brothers Garcia	Cousin Skeeter (CC)	Figure It Out

## JAPAN TV

**Afternoon**  
12:30 V.I.P. (12)  
1:30 British Movie (1984): The Moving Finger (2:00)(12)  
4:00 Japan National Athletic Meet: Track and Field (3)  
5:50 News (6)  
**Evening**  
6:00 Japan Pro Ball: Japan Series Game 7 — Chunichi Dragons vs. Seibu Lions (6)(if necessary)  
7:00 News (1)  
10:00 News (1)  
10:00 Nikita (42)  
12:25 MLB World Series (taped)(6)  
1:38 U.S. Movie (1999): Mickey Blue Eyes (1:58)(4)  
2:28 Formula Nippon: The 8th Round, Motegi (8)

**JAPAN TV-RS7**

ning	12:16
Weekly NFL	2:05
Football Mundial	3:20
Top News from Around the	3:50
World	4:40
MLB: World Series: Game No. 2	5:00
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CNN News	
What's on Asia (r)	
World News Hour	
ABC News	
CNN News	
World News Hour	
CNN News	
<b>ning</b>	
MLB: World Series: Game 2 —	
St. Louis Cardinals at Boston	
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11:00 BS News  
11:30 Economic News  
12:16 NFL: Seattle Seahawks vs. Arizona Cardinals  
2:05 Asian News  
3:20 Midnight Sports  
3:50 ABC News  
4:40 Asian News  
5:00 Top News from Around the

## JAPAN TV/BS11

**Morning**  
10:00 Classical Music: Yoko Hasegawa (cello)  
**Afternoon**  
3:00 French Movie (1951): Nous Irons a Monte-Carlo (1:45)  
**Evening**  
7:00 NHK News  
8:00 U.S. Movie (1972): The Poseidon

10:00 TV Series: ER IX  
12:00 Tokyo Jazz 2004 Selection (1):  
Hiromi Uehara, Reel People, Di-  
anne Reeves  
1:00 AFI: American Movies Best Ro-  
mance 100

### Morning

8:00 U.S. Movie (1976): Rocky (2:02)  
10:10 Canadian-Spanish Movie  
(2003): My Life Without Me  
(1:47)  
**Afternoon**  
12:00 TV Series: CSI: Crime Scene In-  
vestigation  
1:00 U.S. Movie (2003): Special For-  
ces (1:40)  
2:40 U.S. Movie (2000): The Patriot  
(2:02)

5:30 Oswald No. 30 (r)  
**Evening**  
 6:00 Spanish Soccer Liga Española  
 10:00 U.S. Movie (2003): The Lone  
 Ranger (1:35)  
 11:35 South Park No. 94  
 12:00 Spanish Soccer Liga Española

### Morning

6:00 Wake Up  
7:00 M Size Friday  
8:00 Top Choice  
10:00 Pure Music  
11:00 Top Choice  
**Afternoon**  
12:00 Rocks  
1:00 Classic  
1:30 Top Choice  
2:00 Pure Music  
3:00 Top Choice

4:00 Top Choice Selection: Rock  
5:00 Top Choice  
**Evening**  
6:00 M Size Monday  
7:00 U.S. Top 20 with Super Dry  
9:00 Top Choice  
9:30 M Size All Request  
10:00 Rocks  
11:00 Live: Blue

12:00 Classic '90s  
1:00 M Size Monday

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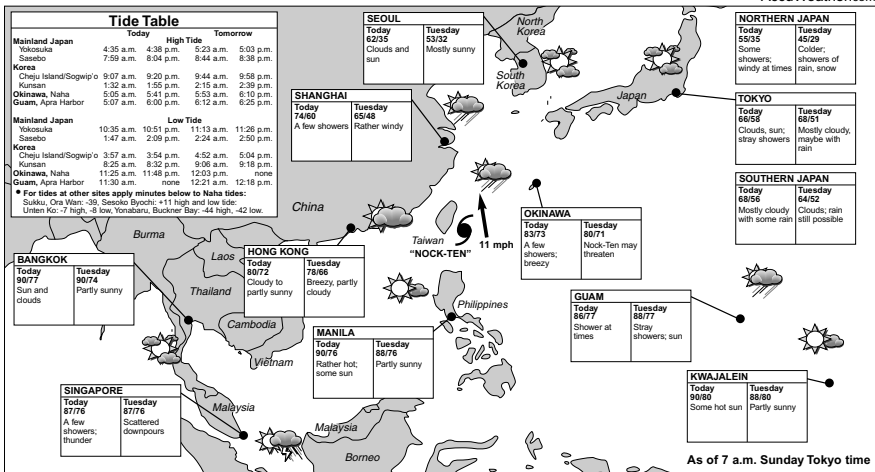
**MONDAY**  
**Morning**  
8:30 MLB: World Series Game 2 — St. Louis Cardinals at Boston Red Sox



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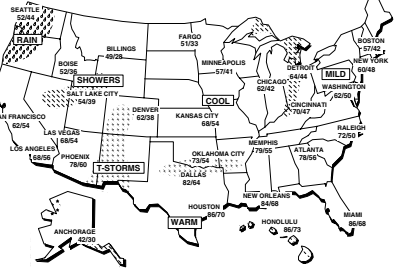
## Extended Forecasts

<b>TOKYO</b> Wednesday: Partly sunny, high 52, low 45. Thursday: Partly sunny, high 58, low 52.	<b>KADENA</b> Wednesday: Rain, high 77, low 69. Thursday: Showers, high 80, low 69.	<b>SEUL</b> Wednesday: Mostly sunny, high 55, low 35. Thursday: Mostly sunny, high 58, low 39.	<b>MANILA</b> Wednesday: Periods of clouds and sunshine, high 88, low 74. Thursday: Clouds and sunshine, high 86, low 74.	<b>HAGATNA</b> Wednesday: Showers, high 88, low 77. Thursday: Showers, high 86, low 77.
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## Saturday's USA Temperatures

CITY	HIGH/LOW	CITY	HIGH/LOW
Albuquerque	65/42	Los Angeles	71/54
Amarillo	73/44	Little Rock	80/54
Anchorage	38/33	Louisville	73/53
Ashville	62/48	Miami	85/69
Baltimore	62/40	Milwaukee	69/49
Birmingham	76/63	Nashville	72/57
Bismarck	56/36	New York	56/44
Boise	50/36	Omaha	66/45
Boston	52/42	Orlando	82/59
Brownsville	92/75	Philadelphia	60/42
Buffalo	60/44	Phoenix	80/56
Burlington	52/36	Pittsburgh	61/49
Charleston, SC	71/51	Portland, OR	55/44
Charlotte	66/47	Portland, ME	55/37
Chicago	66/52	Salt Lake City	55/40
Columbus, OH	65/52	St. Louis	77/52
Duluth	59/42	San Antonio	85/71
El Paso	75/54	San Diego	70/58
Hartford	54/36	San Juan	84/76
Helena	53/30	Tampa	85/66
Indianapolis	72/50	Tulsa	77/50
Jacksonville	77/57	Washington	59/46
Kansas City	71/49	Wichita	76/48

## Monday, October 25



## U.S. Extended Forecast

Showers and thunderstorms will spread into parts of southern Texas and New Mexico Monday. More rain and mountains snow will fall in the Pacific Northwest as yet another storm system moves into the region. The West will remain stormy Tuesday, as well, with rain and mountain snow moving into the Rockies. Showers and thunderstorms will form over the Plains and Mississippi Valley Tuesday. More mountain snow will fall in the West Wednesday. A front will try to work into the East, but may stall in the Ohio Valley due to a large blocking high pressure center over New England.

## Monday's Pacific Temperatures

CITY	HIGH/LOW	CITY	HIGH/LOW
Bangkok	90/77	Iwakuni	72/54
Beijing	53/35	Kadena AB	83/73
Camp Casey	63/34	Kunsan AB	65/46
Chattanooga	56/41	Kwajalein	90/80
Diego Garcia	84/77	Manila	90/76
Hagatna	88/77	Masawa AB	59/39
Hanoi	83/70	Osan	63/39
Hong Kong	80/72	Perth	67/49
Honolulu	86/73	Pusan	68/52

CITY	HIGH/LOW	CITY	HIGH/LOW
Acapulco	90/73	Sasebo	55/35
Athens	73/57	Seoul	62/35
Auckland	66/53	Shanghai	74/60
Baghdad	90/61	Singapore	87/76
Barbados	90/72	Sydney	78/60
Barcelona	74/49	Taegu	69/48
Berlin	62/46	Taipei	80/64
Bermuda	78/69	Tokyo	66/58
Brussels	56/41		

## Monday's World Temperatures

CITY	HIGH/LOW	CITY	HIGH/LOW
Buenos Aires	75/59	Katol	81/53
Cairo	90/65	Kiev	64/51
Cancun	85/72	Kuwait	95/66
Cape Town	74/48	London	54/39
Geneva	57/43	Madrid	57/39
Guatemala	73/62	Mexico City	72/50
Hong Kong	80/72	Montreal	53/40
Jerusalem	86/63	Oslo	46/39
Johannesburg	82/58	Paris	53/38
		Rio de Janeiro	75/63
		Rome	77/62
		St. Petersburg	44/40
		Stockholm	49/41
		Warsaw	64/47



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## OPINION

## Scare tactics won't improve Social Security

Chicago Tribune

The days of ghosts, goblins and things that go bump in the night are almost here. So is the election. Sen. John Kerry mixed the two together recently, trying to put a fright into voters about the future of Social Security under President Bush.

Kerry blasted that Bush has a "Janu-ary surprise" in store that will be a "disaster for America's middle class."

The disaster? Kerry said Bush is plotting to "privatize" Social Security.

The source? A second account of a speech Bush gave, from an anonymous source in The New York Times.

Elect Bush, Kerry warned, and "the promise of security is going to be broken." The message is clear. Send this guy back to the White House and you'll all be eating dog food in your golden years.

Bush has denied that he told anyone he will "privatize" Social Security. But even if Bush actually said that, it's hardly the dark conspiracy Kerry makes it out to be. Bush has long talked about wanting to find a way to allow people to control their own investments in Social Security to get a better return on their contributions.

That's philosophically consistent with his belief in an ownership society, and with his desire to give people more power to make decisions about their economic well-being.

What Bush has talked about in the past is allowing Americans to put two percent

age points of their 12.4 percent total payroll tax into a private account that they would control. The option of remaining in the traditional system would still be there. But those who have come of age in the era of 401(k)s could have more say in their own retirement investing.

Bush's proposal is far less radical than what Chile did in 1981 when it ended its bankrupt retirement system and replaced it with fully funded, privately managed individual retirement accounts. Since then, Chileans have been retiring with better and more-secure pensions, and often retiring at younger ages. More than 95 percent of Chilean workers have signed on to the private pensions system, its assets are more than \$50 billion and the average annual real return has topped 10 percent.

For other Latin American countries and Poland have followed Chile's lead.

There are many unanswered questions about how these accounts would work in the United States. The payroll taxes now collected from working Americans are immediately paid out in Social Security checks for retirees. Transition costs to set up private accounts have been estimated at \$1 trillion or more. No suitable proposal for financing such a transition has been made.

But it is hardly a secret that diverting a percentage of Social Security payroll taxes to private accounts is one of many ways being discussed to fix the Social Security system. Without changes, it will



be unable to pay all the retirement benefits that have been promised to Americans. Current estimates are that that would happen in 2042.

It may come sooner, or later, depending on economic growth in the decades ahead. Bush rightly believes the impending retirement of the baby boom generation demands that Social Security reform be addressed soon.

Now that Kerry has attempted to put a

fright into people, what does he suggest to save Social Security? Nothing. He won't touch the issue. His "fix" for Social Security is to grow the economy and practice fiscal discipline. We're all for both, but they don't add up to a plan to keep the system solvent. John Kerry promises that he won't raise Social Security taxes, won't raise the retirement age, won't cut benefits for people that rely on Social Security and won't "privatize" the system. He will do nothing. Happy Halloween.

## Despite naysayers, poll data reflects Iraqis' optimism

BY STEVEN E. MOORE

John Kerry is playing the prophet of doom in the most important foreign policy initiative of our generation.

In Pennsylvania, Kerry described Iraq as "the wrong war, wrong place, wrong time." In New York, he opined that murderous cleric Muqtada al-Sadr "holds more sway in suburbs of Baghdad than Prime Minister [Iyad] Alawi." In Columbus, Ohio, the senator claimed to have a more accurate perspective on the situation in Iraq than did the incoming prime minister, whose favorability rating of 73 percent among Iraqis, it's worth noting, is higher than Kerry's 48 percent favorability rating among Americans in the latest polls. Kerry, of course, has never set foot in Iraq.

I was there from July 2003 to April 2004, conducting about 70 focus groups and a dozen public opinion polls and advising L. Paul Bremer, then the civilian administrator, on Iraqi public opinion.

Whatever you might hear from Kerry, Michael Moore, the mainstream media and anyone else to whom defeating President Bush is more important than the fate of the Iraqi people, those who know best what's going on in Iraq — the Iraqis themselves — are optimistic about the future.

Iraqis consistently say in nationwide polls that the situation in their country is improving. In polls over the course of the summer, for example, more than half of Iraqis said their country was on the right track. The vast majority of Iraqis — 72 percent — see the same benefits in democracy as Americans do: the hope for peace, stability and a better life. Most polls show that 75 percent of Iraqis want to vote for their leaders rather than have clerics appoint them.

In a recent speech, Kerry charged that Saddam Hussein's brutality "was not, in it-

self, a reason to go to war." Iraqis disagree, as should any supporter of human rights. Nearly 55 percent of Iraqis say that toppling Saddam was worth the price of the current difficulties.

These figures are easy to understand when you look at another set of numbers. In an op-ed article circulated this year among the more than 200 independent newspapers now published in Iraq, an Iraqi democratic activist observed that Saddam tortured and killed as many as 750,000 of his own people. Iraqis don't understand the debate about whether Saddam had weapons of mass destruction. To them, Saddam was a weapon of mass destruction.

UNICEF, hardly an apologist for the Bush administration, estimates that 5,000 Iraqi children a month died of starvation and malnutrition while Saddam siphoned funds from the U.N.'s oil-for-food program to build his palaces and enrich French politicians.

Americans are only now learning of the extent of Saddam's corruption of this humanitarian program; the Iraqis have known about it for quite some time. When asked to rate their confidence in the United Nations, Iraqis gave the organization a 2.9 on a scale of 1 to 4, with a 4 meaning absolute no confidence. In contrast, more than 60 percent of Iraqis tell pollsters that the Iraqi government has done a good job since the June 28 handover.

Polling in Iraq is done much as in any developing country. Interviews are conducted face to face by highly trained Iraqi interviewers. For a 1,500-person sample, for instance, 75 "qada" (the Iraqi equivalent of precincts) would be chosen at random, with interviews conducted in 20 randomly chosen households in each.

Though difficulties abound, the cooperation rate is usually more than 80 percent — much higher than in the United States. Iraqis are amazed that, for the first time,

somebody cares about their political opinion, and they frequently want interviewers to interview cousins and friends.

From 20,000 to 30,000 insurgents, many from outside Iraq, are trying to prevent Iraqis who want democracy from achieving it. Kerry has said he would begin withdrawing U.S. troops six months after his inauguration. Iraq's autocratic neighbors are vigorously supporting the efforts of extremists to derail Iraqi self-government. Hastily withdrawing U.S. troops for political reasons would be a mistake for which we would pay for decades.

A look at the nightly news confirms the finding that 6 out of 10 Iraqis are worried about security, but what's being given short shrift are the strides being made and the intensity of Iraqi optimism.

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## Mallard Fillmore

BY BRUCE TINSLEY



## Wandering wallaby

**MD** SEVERN — A wayward wallaby wandered into the woods of this town where another wallaby once was.

The marsupial made its way into Ken and Jean Lauer's backyard about two months ago. The family had been feeding it while animal control officers tried to catch it.

The wallaby simply stole the food and eluded the traps set by animal control officers.

Debbie Collison had hoped that this was a wallaby named Kanga that had disappeared from her conservation center in nearby Devils Den nearly five years ago.

But alas, the wallaby the Lauers named Hoppy and lured into a dog cage Monday using Happy Hopper, a granola-fodder for wallabies provided by Collison, was not Kanga.

"We don't think it's Kanga, we think it's a wallaby that got loose," Collison said Tuesday.

Hoppy is staying at the county animal control headquarters as police try to find it a home.

They may send Hoppy to Collison's National Endangered Wild Animal Research and Conservation Center. She and her husband, Steve, are preparing a spot for the wallaby in case they are allowed to keep it until — or if — the owners step forward. It will be in good company with the Collisons' other wallaby, BeBe.

Wallabies are native to Australia and sport a mix of gray, red and brown fur. They grow to 2 or 3 feet tall and weigh about 30 to 50 pounds when mature.

## Judge gets slap on wrist

**AR** LITTLE ROCK — Judge L.T. Simes II may be sending the right message with the lyrics on his new CD, but the cover art shows poor judgment, the Judicial Discipline and Disability Commission has ruled.

In a letter dated Friday, the commission told the judge that he violated judicial ethics rules by posing in his robes with a guitar on the cover of his CD, "The Testimony."

The disciplinary action, an informal adjustment — a figurative slap on the wrist — was made public Tuesday.

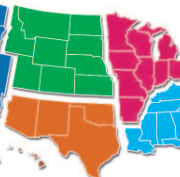
Executive director James Badami said in the letter that the commission took into account the fact that "The Testimony" is a collection of the judge's inspirational musical performances intended to "inspire young people from backgrounds similar to yours to transcend what may have been difficult beginnings in their own lives," and that it was motivated by religious belief.

"Although the commission commends your efforts, it found that the CD and its cover constituted a technical, though unintentional, violation of the Code of Judicial Conduct," Badami wrote.

The letter says commissioners accepted Simes' promise not to sell any more copies of the CD, but offered him the option of distributing the remaining copies free.

## Program going strong

**FL** TALLAHASSEE — Florida's prepaid tuition program expects to attract its millionth customer during a sign-up period that began this week. A one-time payment of \$10,300 for a newborn covers a four-year public uni-



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versity bill at age 18. Installment payments are another option. The Florida program, which began 17 years ago, has already sent 125,000 students to college.

## Zoo code may change

**CA** SAN FRANCISCO — The San Francisco Zoo would never again be home to elephants under a proposed new law expected to be introduced by Board of Supervisors President Matt Gonzalez.

In addition to banning the pachyderms from the zoo, the proposal would codify the role of the city's Animal Care and Control office in overseeing the health and welfare of the zoo's creatures.

Two zoo elephants died last spring: Calle, 37, who suffered from degenerative joint disease, and Maybelle, who died of heart failure at age 43.

The zoo's remaining elephants, Lulu and Tinkerbell, both 38, are being prepared for a move to a sanctuary after an outcry by animal rights activists.

## Man jumps to death

**MT** GREAT FALLS — A man jumped to his death at the Great Falls International Airport after trying to board an airplane without a valid ticket, police said.

The man, whose erratic behavior alarmed an airport security officer, dove over a second-story railing Wednesday and fell about 20 feet as the officer was calling police on his radio.

Relatives of the 42-year-old man



## Autumn ambling

Joe Boyes walks along the parkway in St. Joseph, Mo., despite a steady mist Thursday afternoon.

The walk goes by the Fairview Golf Course in St. Joseph and follows an old railroad bed.

had told officers he was mentally ill, Sgt. John Sowell said. Family members told police the man had recently traveled from Florida to Great Falls, where his sister lives.

The man arrived at the airport early Wednesday with an airline ticket that was valid, but not for the departing 6 a.m. flight to Salt Lake City, Sowell said. He said the man talked to himself and danced around the waiting area before getting in line for the flight. Sowell said the man did not threaten anyone.

The man became agitated when a security officer asked him his name, airport Director Cynthia Schultz said. The officer asked the man to remain calm, then tried to call police, Schultz said. The man then bolted for the railing and fell head first, she said.

## ID theft concern rises

**TX** AUSTIN — Possible identity theft is a concern for many Texans after the state Department of Public Safety said it misdirected about 800 drivers' licenses to the wrong addresses.

Only about 400 people have returned the errant licenses they received in recent weeks, the DPS said Tuesday.

"Obviously, there's some concern," said DPS spokeswoman Tella Mangle.

State officials want anyone who gets the wrong license to return it to the nearest DPS office, Mangle said.

The culprit? "It's a new mail-sorting machine," she told The Dallas Morning News in Wednesday's editions. "It's not behaving, so we've taken it off-line."

## Home to become haven

**MD** BALTIMORE — City and community leaders are planning to turn the home of a family killed by a drug dealer into a safe haven for children and families. Angela and Carrell Dawson and their five children were killed two years ago this month when their home was set on fire by a drug dealer who was angered by the family's calls to police.

## Former chief charged

**CA** DORAVILLE — A former suburban Atlanta police chief faces criminal charges for allegedly using department money to buy hunting supplies. Ron Davis, who resigned as Doraville police chief in 2002, is accused of theft and violating his oath of office for allegedly taking money seized from drug busts and using it to buy hunting equipment for himself and his friends. If convicted of all charges, Davis would face a maximum of 15 years in prison.

## 'Safe city' gets detector

**CA** THOUSAND OAKS — The City Council of what's considered one of the safest cities in the United States approved installing a metal detector at City Hall because of the unruly behavior of a council candidate. Daniel Avila, 25, was arrested Oct. 5 for shooting obscenities over a bullhorn at candidates for runoff. Avila previously waved a hatchet during a hearing and has called for President Bush's resignation. Mayor Wilson Sr. also recommended that City Hall get a full-time security guard.

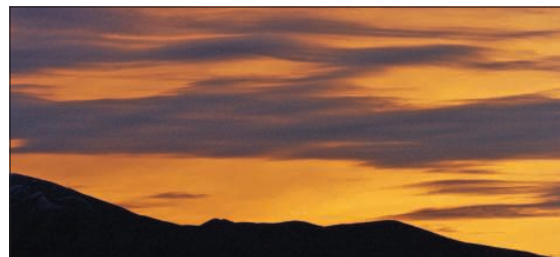


**Snow dancin'** Christine Carda, 18, dances in the snow at Northern Arizona University in Flagstaff, Ariz., on Thursday.



**Memorial project** Bob Brady, 63, of Lancaster, Ohio, places flag number 1,105 into a memorial display in front of his brother Galin's home in Bloom Township, Ohio. As of Thursday, the brothers have placed 1,107 small U.S. flags into the ground, each flag representing a soldier that has been killed in Iraq since the U.S. invasion in 2003. Galin Brady, 61, said he got the idea for the project after seeing two similar memorials for the fallen soldiers during a road trip through New England earlier this year.





## Mountain sunset

After four days of almost constant rain, the clouds broke, allowing a view of the sunset behind the Wellsville Mountains near Logan, Utah, on Thursday.



## Elephant train

Elephants from the Ringling Bros. and Barnum & Bailey Circus make their way along 9th Street after disembarking from rail cars at E. 26th Street to Gund Arena in Cleveland on Thursday.



## Having a blast

Dillon Whittet, right, and Storm O'Brien, both of Bethel, Okla., are caught off guard as an air boat takes off, getting them wet during the Oklahoma Highway Patrol kids day event at Wes Watkins Reservoir near McLoud, Okla., on Thursday.



## Doggone graduate

Juvenile inmate of the Manatee County Omega Prison Kristopher Williams holds his charge, Wesley, on Thursday at the canine's graduation from a year's training to be a guide dog for Southeast Florida's Guide Dogs for the Blind in Palmetto, Fla.

## Dinner — cell-phone free

**AR** BENTONVILLE — Diners at The Vineyard can distance themselves from the din of cell phone chatter.

The restaurant has designated a "No-Cell-Phone" area, after customers who complained about listening to conversations from adjacent tables asked for the ban.

"We had a therapist in from New York in who was giving marriage counseling on the phone for 30 minutes and there were two other tables in the dining area and both complained," server Brittany Peacock said.

The seating preference changes with the time of day.

"At dinner, there are people who don't want cell phones," Peacock said. "At lunch people come in and expect to take a call in the middle of the day and they want cell phones."

If someone receives a call while in the cell-free area, they are asked to go outside or into the other area.

## Man nabbed in sting

**CA** SACRAMENTO — Undercover Sacramento County sheriff's detectives arrested a 33-year-old motorcycle club member after they said he tried to buy a 12-year-old girl for sexual purposes.

Sheriff's spokesman R.L. Davis said the department received an anonymous tip that Waydd Matthey Reichard was attempting to buy a female minor.

Davis said an agent set up a meeting with Reichard in a parking lot. According to Davis, Reichard revealed that he was interested in buying a preteen. He was arrested on suspicion of attempted lewd acts with a minor and solicitation to commit rape. No minor was present at the time, Davis said.

## Woman faces charges

**OH** CINCINNATI — Denia Bolden knew her developmentally disabled and wheelchair-bound teen ward had scalded herself with microwaved noodles. But Bolden laid down to take a nap, not taking her ward for medical treatment for 36 hours.

Bolden, 28, faces up to five years in prison after she pleaded guilty Monday in a plea deal to child endangering in exchange for two other cases being dismissed.

Bolden was at her house Feb. 9 with Tears Whitfield, 14, who suffers from cerebral palsy. Bolden was ill, apparently suffering from strep throat that earlier had sent her to the hospital. The girl wheeled herself to the microwave to make something to eat.

"Tears states she has never used a microwave before and Denia Bolden knew she was going to use it to heat her food," police wrote in court records.

She nuked her noodles and water for 14 minutes then placed the steaming bowl on her lap and tried to wheel herself to a table to eat.

Instead, the steaming water and noodles spilled into her lap, scalding her legs.

## Men threaten officials

**NJ** CAMDEN — Five men convicted of fraud have continued to send financial threats to judges, prosecutors and other officials, a U.S. attorney told a judge. The men were convicted in July by a jury that found they passed \$17

million of fake money orders. They said they were members of a group that claims it is indigenous to the land now known as the United States and thus not subject to the nation's laws. In April, a federal judge found the men in contempt because they had been attempting to file liens against judges and prosecutors.

## Elections official chosen

**FL** JACKSONVILLE — Gov. Jeb Bush chose a Jacksonville real estate attorney with Republican connections to lead Duval County's elections office. Bill Scheu takes over exactly two weeks before Bush's brother, President George W. Bush, seeks re-election.

Campaign finance records show Scheu has given thousands of dollars to several GOP candidates, including U.S. Rep. Ander Crenshaw of Jacksonville and North Carolina U.S. Sen. Elizabeth Dole.

## Woman left plea for help

**ND** BISMARCK — Police are searching for a woman who may have written a plea for help on a restaurant napkin, officials said. Employees clearing a table at a Red Lobster restaurant called police after they discovered a note that read "Help me. Please call police." The four-page note at the table paid for their food with a credit card registered to a couple from Levelland, Texas. "We don't know if [the note] was real. But if it was real, it would be nice to get whoever wrote it out of the situation they're in," Lt. Dan Donlin said.

## Taking soccer to Iraq

**ME** BANGOR — A Maine man who serves as a security contractor in Iraq is spreading a little joy to children in the war-torn country through the international language of sports. Alan Johnston, a soccer referee in central Maine, recently helped outfit a small band of Iraqi children with soccer balls, T-shirts and shorts after watching kids playing with rocks and metal cans.

"Soccer [here] is also a way for the kids to try to forget the horror they are living in," Johnston said.

## Health director on trial

**TX** DEL RIO — The former head of the Kickapoo tribe's health care program is accused of stealing money and laundering checks, a prosecutor says in the woman's federal trial.

Assistant U.S. Attorney Bill Harris told jurors in his opening statement Tuesday that Marcela Mendoza allegedly wrote phony checks to Mexican doctors, to a variety of vendors, and even to herself, some as large as \$15,000. Harris said she converted many of these at a check-cashing outlet in Eagle Pass.

But Greg Torres, Mendoza's defense lawyer, said the 48-year-old woman is liable only for sloppy record-keeping and caring too much about her Indian clients.

Mendoza, former director of Kickapoo Community Health Services in Eagle Pass, was arrested in November on accusations that she stole about \$259,000 from the program over a two-year period ending in October 2002.

Stories and photos from wire services

# Horoscope

The sun and Uranus form an auspicious angle, shedding new perspective on changes you've made in the last month or so. It's a fabulous time to check in to see what's working and what's not. Be analytical and re-evaluate problems, and for goodness' sake, don't beat yourself up.

**TODAY'S BIRTHDAY (Oct. 25).** You're breaking out of your shell this year. The closer you get to your goal, the more there is to do. But this is the pathway of success, and you're willing to find a way to make things happen. Fabulous partners help immensely. You've got the instinct to choose them wisely this month and next. For love, you're highly compatible with Virgo and Leo.

**ARIES (March 21-April 19).** You'll be negotiating your way into a situation. So if your inner voice is telling you to speak up, don't squeak!

**TAURUS (April 20-May 20).** Your habit of being hard on yourself is not such a bad thing sometimes. You're wise enough to realize that you've got more to offer the world than you currently are. Get your plan together.

**GEMINI (May 21-June 21).** What would you do without those wild-card people who love to throw you for a loop, making your life anything but boring? So don't waste time complaining or feigning surprise.

**CANCER (June 22-July 22).** Take care of yourself physically, mentally and spiritually. This requires that you feed your mind, heart and soul. You'll need your strength for walking through the threshold needs walking through.

**LEO (July 23-Aug. 22).** Even a master makes a commitment to continuous study, realizing that the boundaries of greatness are ever

expanding. So don't be intimidated by new standards. If you're serious about being the best, you'll do what it takes.

**VIRGO (Aug. 23-Sept. 22).** To be acknowledged is a basic human need — one you feed so well in others and often neglect in yourself. It's not arrogant to admit the existence of truth, which is what you're doing when you take note of your talents.

Joyce Jillson



**LIBRA (Sept. 23-Oct. 23).** You're a model of excellent behavior. Of course, it has been said that as a rule well-behaved people rarely make history. Consider an area of your life in which you might allow yourself to cut loose.

**SCORPIO (Oct. 24-Nov. 21).** You can turn this into a peaceful day by being mellow and, quite literally, unassuming. Don't presume to know what people are thinking, and don't read too deeply into what's being implied. Ask questions.

**SAGITTARIUS (Nov. 22-Dec. 21).** Because your attitude is optimistic, open-minded and filled with affinity for your colleagues, you're considered the go-to person in your work community.

**CAPRICORN (Dec. 22-Jan. 19).** You would prefer not to have to adapt to the rest of the world. Somehow, you get the rest of the world to adapt to you. Of course, you're being unreasonable, but thank goodness.

**AQUARIUS (Jan. 20-Feb. 18).** In your effort to be honest, you may be too transparent. Remember that keeping your inner world private is always your prerogative.

**PISCES (Feb. 19-March 20).** Energy is up, and you're on a roll. You know you're in the right line of work when it's hard to distinguish business from pleasure. People around you speak to your playful imagination and will add in their own two cents.

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## To our readers

For the past decade, this column has been written by Joyce Jillson and Holiday Mathis. Ms. Jillson passed away on Oct. 1. Because Ms. Jillson and Ms. Mathis wrote in advance, columns they prepared will run through Nov. 6. Beginning Nov. 7, the horoscopes will be re-named "Horoscopes for Holiday" and will be authored by Ms. Mathis.

Calvin and Hobbes



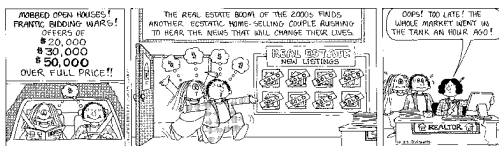
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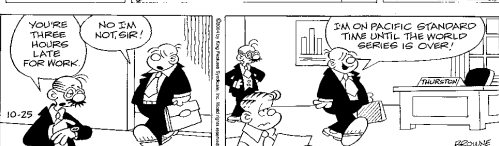
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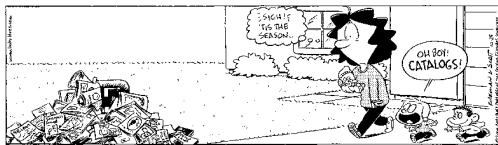


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**Saturday's Cryptoquip:** WHEN A CAR-  
 STOPPING DEVICE IS INVENTED, I THINK  
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# Meddling grandma endangers child

**Dear Abby:** My mother-in-law, "Sharon," and I had a wonderful relationship until I was 10 years old. Almost overnight, Sharon became extremely overbearing about how I should raise her grandson, "Charlie." (He is now 8.) Recently, Charlie contacted a common childhood illness.

Although I had been taking him to the pediatrician regularly, Sharon kept insisting that I wasn't caring for him properly.

One afternoon when she was baby-sitting, she went so far as to take Charlie to his pediatrician and tell the doctor that I wasn't treating his illness. When the pediatrician didn't tell Sharon what she wanted to hear, she took Charlie home with her and gave him some medicine she had at her house.

When I found out, I was horrified. (What if he'd had an allergic reaction?) When I called Sharon to discuss the matter, she hung up on me. So I sent her an e-mail and told her how devoted I thought she

had been.

Two days later our doorknob rang. It was a visit from Child Protective Services. Charlie's pediatrician had to be contacted as well as his school counselor. It was very embarrassing. After an investigation, the matter was dismissed.

Sharon has never denied that she called CPS, nor has she made any effort to apologize. My husband and I have no wish to speak to her until she does. Are we right to avoid her?

— Embarrassed in New York

**Dear Embarrassed:** Grandma may have thought she knew best, but she should have quit after consulting Charlie's pediatrician. For her to have given her grandson leftover meds without authorization from you or his doctor was child endangerment.

**Dear Abby:** I'm 15, and recent-

ly broke up with my boyfriend, "Mike." I believe in waiting for marriage to have sex, and he doesn't. That's why I ended it.

I didn't want things to go past kissing, but because of Mike's pushing, prodding and relentless arguing, it did. I would sometimes have to use force to get him to stop.

My mother adores Mike and made me keep all his gifts and pictures in the hope that we'll get back together. She doesn't know the situation.

Should I tell her what happened?

— Ashamed in Decatur, Ga.

**Dear Ashamed:** By all means tell your mother why you broke things off — especially the pressure to which you were subjected and the fact that Mike wouldn't take no for an answer. She needs to wake up, stop idealizing him, and recognize that you were nearly raped.

Letters for this column — with your name and phone number — should be addressed to Dear Abby, P.O. Box 69404, Los Angeles CA 90069. Readers can write to Abby on the Internet at <http://www.uepress.com/dearabby>. Universal Press Syndicate

## JUMBLE

Unscramble these four Jumbles, one letter for each square, to form four ordinary words.

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Now arrange the circled letters to form the surprise answer, as suggested by the above cartoon.

Answers tomorrow

Saturday's Jumbles: FELON PLAIT GRUBBY CARPET

Answer: What he brought the mean old teacher — A CRAB APPLE

THAT SCRAMBLED WORD GAME by Henri Arnold and Mike Arington



# Sister has habit of thievery

**Dear Annie:** I am 12 years old, and I read your column every day.

Please help. My sister, "Payton," is a thief. I don't mean she's stolen from stores, but I wouldn't put it past her. I mean she steals everything that belongs to me. She takes my clothes, my razor, my shampoo, etc. And I worked very hard to earn enough money to buy some cute bracelets, and she stole every single one and gave them away to her friends.

When my older sister lived at home, Payton also "borrowed" her clothes, movies and other things. She would even go into her car and steal money. My older sister has let me stay at her house by myself, but she never lets Payton stay over because she's afraid all her stuff will be missing in the morning.

We have talked to my parents about Payton's thievery, but my mom works long hours, and she is too tired to discuss it when she gets home. She just shrugs it off,

## Annie's Mailbox



goes into her bedroom and shuts the door. When I tell my dad, all he does is ask Payton why she takes things. When Payton replies, "I don't know," he just tells her not to do it again. Do you think she listens? No.

I fight with Payton constantly. My parents are sick of it, and I can't blame them. I'm sure Payton will be stealing from stores any day now. How can I get her to leave my stuff alone?

— Fed Up in North Dakota

**Dear Fed Up:** While many sisters "borrow" items without permission, Payton's behavior is a little over the top, and your parents are the ones who should put an end to her sickly-fingered habits.

Talk to your folks again, and show them this letter. Then ask if you can install a door alarm in your bedroom door so Payton will stop pilfering your things.

**Dear Annie:** I have a moth-

er-in-law and sister-in-law who are heavy women, and I would like to know the most polite way to ask them their clothing sizes. I'm tired of buying them sterile, impersonal gifts that they cannot really use. I'd like to get them some flattering clothing that I know they would love.

How do I tactfully ask their sizes? This is particularly hard since I am a newcomer to the family and quite petite. I don't want to offend them, but I need to figure this out before Christmas.

— Michigan Daughter-in-Law

**Dear Michigan:** Your heart is in the right place, but there is no tactful way to ask a heavyset person what size she wears. If you truly want to purchase clothes (and we don't recommend it), give them a gift certificate to a good store that carries a range of sizes, and offer to accompany them for a day of shopping.

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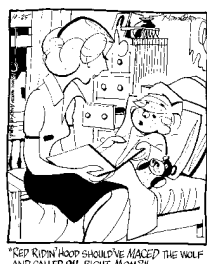
## Family Circus



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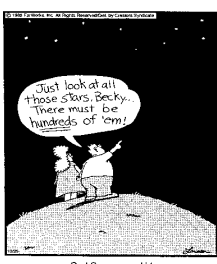


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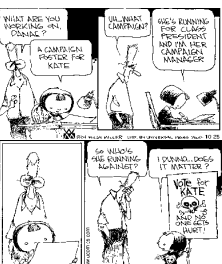
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## The Far Side



Carl Sagan as a kid

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# Boston police on defensive after fan death

## Witnesses say officers overreacted, used too much force

BY DENISE LAVOIE  
The Associated Press

BOSTON — The death of a Emerson College student who was in the face with a pepper spray-filled projectile has sparked anger and questions about whether police used too much force to break up a crowd of Red Sox revelers outside Fenway Park.

Boston Police Commissioner Kathleen O'Toole said police are considering discontinuing the use of the type of weaponry that killed Victoria Snelgrove, a 21-year-old journalism major from East Bridgewater.

O'Toole met for several hours with her tactical commanders late Friday to discuss whether to continue using the plastic balls filled with pepper spray, propelled from devices similar to paintball guns, that were used by officers trying to contain rowdy fans that swarmed neighborhoods around Fenway Park Wednesday night and Thursday morning after the Red Sox clinched a spot in the World Series.

The pepper spray balls, which are called "less-than-lethal" weaponry in police parlance, are used by police agencies in hopes of preventing serious injury as they seek to control crowds.

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Kathleen O'Toole  
Boston police commissioner

"We want to use the least force necessary in order to maintain the crowd," O'Toole said. "Very unfortunately, it resulted in a horrible action."

Snelgrove, 21, died Thursday, hours after being hit in the eye with a plastic ball filled with pepper spray during an early morning celebration the streets after the Red Sox won the American League pennant over the rival New York Yankees.

Snelgrove was hit as police fired the projectiles into the crowd after some revelers set small fires and threw bottles at police, and vandalized property in the Fenway Park neighborhood.

O'Toole said officers had used "great restraint," but were forced to use the weapons when a small number within the crowd of an estimated 800 began lighting fires, throwing bottles, endangering others.

Witnesses say officers overreacted to the situation.

didn't see any violence around me. People were up on signs ... but there was nothing violent going on. It was all celebration."

Giovanni De Francischi, a 30-year-old Emerson student, said he was about 10 feet behind police officers as shots were fired in Snelgrove's direction.

Although some celebrants had climbed the back side of the Green Monster, he said nobody was climbing anything in Snelgrove's immediate area or causing property damage around the time she was shot.

"It was not at all necessary to disperse that crowd. If you want to disperse a crowd, why not disperse the crowd that is overturning cars?" he said.

O'Toole said the projectiles were designed to break on impact and douse the target with pepper-like spray.

Boston police purchased the weapons specifically for crowd control during this summer's Democratic National Convention.

Although the city braced for the type of violent demonstrations seen at other major political gatherings in recent years, prospects at the DNC were relatively subdued and police never had to use the pepper guns.

Melvin L. Tucker, a security consultant specializing in the use of deadly and non-deadly force by police, said the



Victoria Snelgrove, 21, died Thursday of a head injury suffered in a clash between police officers and a crowd of Red Sox fans.

"less-than-lethal" weaponry used by Boston police has become increasingly popular among police departments across the country over the past five years.

"Sadly, what we're talking about here is that this type of device generally results in fewer injuries to the officers and the public than the old way of dealing with this type of situation, which was with nightsticks, tear gas and other things," said Tucker, the former police chief of Tallahassee, Fla., and Asheville, N.C. "This is generally a lot safer. It's a real tragedy."

# Cardinals, Red Sox a fittingly retro Series matchup

By BERNIE MIKLASZ  
St. Louis Post-Dispatch

BOSTON — Thank the baseball gods for giving us an old-school World Series. The color teal has been banned from these proceedings. The Boston Red Sox and St. Louis Cardinals play in actual ballparks instead of junked-up, gimmick-filled stadiums with swimming pools, waterfalls, artificial rock formations and shrieking video boards.

You have to go back to 1981, Dodgers vs. Yankees, to find a World Series matchup that rivals the rich, baseball genealogy represented here by the Cardinals and Red Sox. With apologies to Florida and Anaheim and Arizona, it's time to turn back the clock.

Red Sox and Cardinals. Or, as they say in this neighborhood, "Sox and Cahds."

This is the World Series of nostalgia. This is a World Series for purists.

There is no need for fake retro baseball here. The Cardinals and Red Sox are genuine throwbacks, with real fans. The teams draw from a wide geographical range. The Red Sox are a religion throughout New England. The Cardinals have support in many parts of the Midwest, the south and the southwest. St. Louis and Boston not only have the most passionate baseball fans, they're also

the most knowledgeable. So if you want to talk ball at Fenway Park or Busch Stadium during this thinking-person's World Series, you'd better know your baseball history.

Start with the two previous Cardinals-Red Sox World Series, and how Cardinals outfielder Enos Slaughter raced home on a mad dash on Oct. 15, 1946, to score the winning run in Game 7.

Or recall Oct. 12, 1967, the day Bob Gibson (nine innings, three hits, two runs, 10 strikeouts) mastered Boston in Game 7.

Boston is the franchise of Ted Williams. The Splendid Splinter, Teddy Ballgame, lifetime-batting average .344. St. Louis is the domain of Stan "The Man" Musial, lifetime average of .331. Here's talking baseball royalty here.

Now, let's suspend with the pleasures for a moment, and get one thing straight: There is no case, OK? Our friends in the Boston media need to come up with a new schtick.

Babe Ruth is dead. And if he haunts any establishment, it's a school, or perhaps a brothel. This will be Boston's fifth World Series since selling Ruth to the Yankees. Boston has reached the postseason seven times since last making the World Series in 1986. The Red Sox have won 39 postseason games since the Babe's first day as a Yankee. Other franchises should be so cursed, so doomed.

## Analysis

For example, the Chicago White Sox haven't been to a World Series since 1959. And no team from Texas (Astros, Rangers) has even surfaced in a World Series.

Granted, the Red Sox haven't won a World Series since 1918 ... but Doris Kearns Goodwin, John Updike, Stephen King and every other Red Sox devotee aren't hexed, and life is good. The Red Sox just accomplished a remarkable feat, freeing themselves from the Yankee pinstripes by becoming the first team in baseball history to erase a 3-0 deficit to win a postseason series 4-3.

In the interesting St. Louis-Boston sports relationship, the spoils have been divided rather equitably. The Cardinals are 2-0 against the Red Sox in the World Series, but the Bruins beat the Blues twice in Game 7 this team can win with brains (read: small ball) and brawn. The Cardinals have more speed and player superior defense.

The Red Sox have the stronger bench. The Red Sox have an advantage in starting pitching, but that could change if Curt Schilling's ankle doesn't hold up. The Cardinals' rotation has exceeded expectations all season, somehow overcoming its mediocrity to deliver



**Saturday, Oct. 23**  
St. Louis (Williams 11-9) at Boston (Wakelin 12-10)  
**Sunday, Oct. 24**  
St. Louis (Marlowe 12-17) at Boston (Schilling 21-6)  
**Monday, Oct. 25**  
Boston (Martinez 16-20) at St. Louis (Lincecum 16-27)  
Boston (Lowe 14-12) at St. Louis (Lincecum 16-27)  
**Tuesday, Oct. 26**  
Boston at St. Louis, if necessary  
**Wednesday, Oct. 27**  
Boston at St. Louis, if necessary  
**Thursday, Oct. 28**  
St. Louis at Boston, if necessary  
**Friday, Oct. 29**  
St. Louis at Boston, if necessary

boost in the Fenway games, and removes a Boston bat in the three games at Busch. The Cardinals are more resourceful, as we saw in Game 7 (read: small ball) and brawn. The Cardinals have more speed and player superior defense.

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pitched games when the team needed it most.

We saw that again in the NL Championship Series, when Jeff Suppan outpitched Roger Clem-

ens in Game 7. The Red Sox have a slight edge in the bullpen; that check mark would have gone to the Cardinals if they had a healthy Steve Kline to go with Ray King to form the formidable left-handed combo. Boston has a more intimidating closer in Keith Foulke.

**Momentum:** Even. Both teams came back in the LCS. Boston's miracle comeback over New York was more dramatic, but we have to wonder if the ALCS was the real World Series for the Red Sox.

**Managers:** Tony La Russa has more postseason experience than Terry Francona, and that should account for something.

The last time we saw Boston (1986) and St. Louis (1987) in a World Series, Ronald Reagan was in the White House. The desire is strong on both sides: The Red Sox have the grunge look going for them, and are often depicted as crazed, baseball-playing maniacs who won't be denied. But the Cardinals, minus the whiskers and hippie hair, are just as driven.

"Obviously, this is the two best teams in baseball going head-to-head," Foulke said. "There's nothing that's going to be easy about this. And you wouldn't want to be easy. But it's going to be a dogfight."

Two predictions: The Budweiser and the Sam Adams will be frosty cold.

And Cardinals in seven.



# 49ers' yoga bear

Burly tight end Johnson is flexible of mind and body

BY GREG BEACHAM

The Associated Press

SANTA CLARA, Calif. — Before the San Francisco 49ers take the practice field, Eric Johnson kneels and stretches. Then he bends his muscled 6-foot-3 frame into the plank, the downward dog and a handful of basic yoga positions.

Behind him, a chunky defensive lineman is laughing his head off.

"Anthony Adams thinks I'm hilarious," Johnson said. "Double-A is really flexible naturally, so he'll come up and pull his arm behind his head or something to make fun of me. He thinks some of the things I do are crazy."

Johnson probably isn't nuts, but he is a different kind of football player. The San Francisco tight end is a Yale graduate, a yoga devotee and a keen observer of presidential politics and current events.

He also is the NFL's surprise re-

ceiving leader, with 45 catches for 484 yards and two touchdowns.

He has earned a reputation as one of the league's toughest skill players, never missing a step despite playing with cracked ribs in his last two games.

After missing all of last season with a broken collarbone, the former seventh-round draft pick has become quarterback Tim Rattay's favorite target — and a rare bright spot in a dismal season for the 49ers (1-5), who went into their off week with their worst record since 1979.

Rattay relied on Johnson to an astonishing degree in consecutive games earlier this month. Johnson caught 10 passes for 113 yards in a loss to St. Louis, then followed it with 13 catches for 162 yards and a key score in the 49ers' only win, an overtime thriller against Arizona.

Johnson took up yoga after he broke his injury two years ago. He believes it improves his flexibility

and strength as a complement to his regular weight training.

He does it year-round, taking classes in the offseason and relying on a book of positions during the fall. A few teammates have dabbled with him, including the ever-limber Adams, but only Johnson practices the discipline before practice.

Johnson, a native of Needham, Mass., has always balanced athletics with enlightenment. He was an American studies major at Yale, where he also punted while developing into one of the Ivy League's best wide receivers of the last two decades.

And he still hasn't lost his interest in the world outside the locker room — to a point. He supports Massachusetts senator John Kerry in next month's presidential election, but he's more concerned with turning around the 49ers' disappointing season.

"I'm just trying to be a part of helping this team win," Johnson said. "Whatever I have to do, I'll do it."



Eric Johnson caught 13 passes as San Francisco beat Arizona, the 49ers' only win in six games this season. Johnson, a Yale grad and yoga devotee, tops the NFL with 45 receptions for 484 yards and two TDs.

# Davis' goal of 2,000 lies far out of reach

BY JOEL ANDERSON

The Associated Press

HOUSTON — Domanick Davis proudly boasted before the season of his goal to join the NFL's ultra-exclusive club of 2,000 yards rushers.

He'd better pick up the pace.

Davis would need to average 177 yards over the next 10 games, a rate that even he acknowledges is all but impossible.

"I'm still going to try my best to get it," Davis said. "I'm not going to change anything, not my goals or anything. Maybe it's impossible to do it, but there's nothing going to stop me from trying."

Davis' first goal should be simply turning around a season that appears to be mired in a sophomore slump. As the Houston Texans' first 1,000-yard rusher as a rookie, he's run for just 233 in six games this season and has a tenuous hold on his job.

Costly fumbles, nagging injuries and the emergence of former fourth-string tailback Jonathan Wells have kept Davis on the bench a lot more than he might have expected.

With Houston off this week, Davis is being treated for a bruised left thigh, an injury that kept him out of the second half against Tennessee last Sunday. That injury came a week after he returned from a sprained right ankle that kept him out of the previous two games.

"What Domanick is using this week for is to get healthy and get his legs back under him," Texans coach Dom Capers said. "Domanick has just had some nagging in-

juries that you always get in this game. We fully expect him to come back strong and be his old self."

A fourth-round draft pick out of LSU in 2003, Davis has been on the injury list almost as often as on the field since coming to Houston. He missed much of his first training camp after breaking his right hand. He missed two games last season with groin and thigh injuries and was slowed by chest and hip ailments in two other games.

As a result, the 5-foot-9, 221-pounder is hearing many of the same concerns about his size and durability that he heard coming out of college.

"It's frustrating, but that's just part of the game," Davis said. "If people aren't happy with it, it's their problem. The team hasn't lost any confidence in me."

No, but it might not be long before the Texans lose patience.

Davis wasn't playing all that well even before he was hurt.

Davis is averaging 2.9 yards a carry, and his longest run has been only 10 yards. He's also got fewer touchdowns (three) than fumbles (four), the same number of turnovers he had his entire rookie season.

Even if the Davis has struggled, Houston's offense has thrived.

The Texans have the NFL's 10th-ranked unit behind the emerging pass-catch combo of David Carr and Andre Johnson. Wells has provided a powerful running presence since Davis and backup Tony Hollings have missed time with injuries.

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# Attorney still reviewing Anthony drug case

The Associated Press

DENVER — The city's attorney said Friday he hasn't decided whether to drop a marijuana possession charge against Denver Nuggets star Carmelo Anthony, even though a friend of the player said the drugs found in Anthony's backpack belonged to him.

"We're still looking at the facts in the case," City Attorney Cole Fiegans said.

Anthony received a summons on Oct. 15 at Denver International Airport after a small amount of marijuana was found in his bag as the team prepared to travel to Milwaukee for an exhibition game.

Anthony's lawyer, Daniel Recht, said the marijuana belonged to James Cunningham of St. Louis, who often stays with Anthony when he's in Denver on business. Cunningham has signed an affidavit saying the drugs belonged to him.

## Sharapova, Molik final set

ZÜRICH, Switzerland — Wimbledon champ Maria Sharapova

## Sports briefs

advanced to the final of the Swisscom Challenge on Saturday, beating Elena Dementieva 4-6, 6-2, 6-3 in an all-Russian semifinal.

The fourth-seeded 17-year-old, who beat Venus Williams in the quarterfinals on Friday, extended her winning streak to 12 matches, boosting her bid to take three successive titles after victories in Seoul and Tokyo.

In Sunday's final, Sharapova will meet Australia's Alicia Molik, the Olympic bronze medalist, who beat 10th-seeded home favorite Patty Schnyder 4-6, 6-1, 6-4 in the other semifinal.

## Agassi ousted in semifinals

MADRID, Spain — David Nalbandian beat Ivan Ljubicic on Saturday to reach the finals of the Madrid Masters tennis tournament against Marat Safin. Argentina's Nalbandian broke Ljubicic's serve once in each set

and held on for a 6-4, 6-4 victory over the Croat.

Safin, the No. 3 seed from Russia, also won his semifinal in straight sets, beating second-seeded Andre Agassi 6-3, 7-6 (7-4).

With the crowd cheering on the 34-year-old American fan favorite at sold-out Roddick Arena, Agassi had his chances of getting a break up twice in the second set. But he failed to cash in.

## Paerson wins Cup opener

SOELDEN, Austria — Anja Paerson picked up where she left off last year, winning the season-opening World Cup giant slalom on Saturday. American Kristina Koznick was fourth, matching her best result of last season.

Paerson, a Swede who swept the World Cup overall, giant slalom and slalom titles last season, sped down the Rettenbach Gletscher in a two-run time of 2 minutes, 25.21 seconds. The Soelden course is considered the steepest and toughest giant slalom on the women's circuit.

Finland's Tanja Poutiainen was running up 0.32 seconds behind.

Maria Jose Rienda Contreras of Spain was third in 2:26.78, while Koznick finished in 2:26.95.

## Boxer accused of murder

LOS ANGELES — A boxer who fights under the nickname "The Harlem Hammer" pleaded innocent Friday to charges that he used a hammer to murder a freelance sports writer and then torched his Hollywood apartment.

James Butler, 31, was charged with murder and arson following his Wednesday arrest and was being held on \$1.25 million bail, said Sandi Gibbons, the district attorney's spokeswoman.

San Kellerman, 29, was found dead Sunday at his apartment. His car was missing. Authorities believe he was killed on Oct. 12, according to a district attorney's statement.

Kellerman was the younger brother of Max Kellerman, host of the Fox Sports Net program "1, Max," and covered professional boxing, Gibbons said.

## Barrichello on Brazil pole

SAO PAULO, Brazil — Home-town favorite Rubens Barrichello won the pole position for Sunday's Brazilian Grand Prix after his teammate, seven-time Formula One champion Michael Schumacher, crashed during practice.

Barrichello completed a lap around the 2.678-mile Interlagos circuit at 1:36.466 mph for his 13th career pole and fourth this season.

Schumacher was eighth at 135.051 mph but will start 18th because of a 10-place penalty for changing engines after crashing.

## McMurray wins truck race

MARTINSVILLE, Va. — Jamie McMurray held off Dennis Setzer on a restart with 12 laps to go Saturday and won for the first time in the NASCAR Craftsman Trucks Series, completing a career hat trick.

He's the eighth in NASCAR history to win in the Nextel Cup series, the Busch Grand National series and in a truck.

# WR McCardell could start for Chargers on Sunday

The Associated Press

SAN DIEGO — Newly acquired wide receiver Keenan McCardell will make his season debut on Sunday and might even start for the San Diego Chargers in their road game against the Carolina Panthers.

The Chargers obtained McCardell from the Tampa Bay Buccaneers for two draft picks on Tuesday, just before the NFL trading deadline. McCardell was the league's last holdout, skipping the first six games with Tampa Bay because he was unhappy his contract wasn't renegotiated.

"It's not out of the realm of possibility that Keenan starts," coach Marty Schottenheimer said Friday.

"He has some history in this system, but it was a long time

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all."

If McCardell starts, it will be opposite Eric Parker, Reche Caldwell, San Diego's leading wide receiver, last Sunday's leading knee injury in last Sunday's loss at Atlanta.

Schottenheimer wasn't sure if wide receiver Bobby Shaw, signed as a free agent on Tuesday, will play against Carolina.

## Bucs activate WR Jurevicius

TAMPA, Fla. — Tampa Bay activated wide receiver Joe Jurevicius on Saturday, hoping he will give a boost to the struggling Buccaneers offense in Sunday's game

ago," Schottenheimer said. "But he has come along and had no problems at all."

against the Chicago Bears.

The seven-year veteran had been sidelined most of the past year by knee and back injuries. He has had five starts and played in 20 games since joining the team in 2002.

Defensive tackle Ellis Wyms was placed on the injured reserve list with a shoulder injury.

## Eagles' McDougale diagnosed with irregular heart beat

PHILADELPHIA — Philadelphia defensive end Jerome McDougale missed practice Friday because of an irregular heartbeat and was doubtful for the Eagles' game against Cleveland.

Eagles head trainer Rick Burkholder said McDougale complained after Thursday's practice of feeling a little lightheaded, shortness of breath and upper res-

piratory infection symptoms.

The Eagles sent him to the hospital, where McDougale was diagnosed with an irregular heartbeat. He spent most of the evening at the emergency room and took medication that restored a normal heartbeat within four or five hours, Burkholder said.

## Titans put CB Woolfolk back on injury report

NASHVILLE, Tenn. — Cornerback Andre Woolfolk was added to the Tennessee Titans' injury report Friday after back spasms forced him to leave practice early.

Woolfolk, a first-round draft pick in 2003, began having difficulties when he landed awkwardly jumping for a ball.

The third cornerback in the Titans' packages leads the team's

cornerbacks with 24 tackles. He also has an interception and three passes broken up.

The condition was not considered serious and no X-rays were planned.

## Jets' Moore to miss game

HEMPSTEAD, N.Y. — Jets starting right guard Brandon Moore will miss Sunday's game against the Patriots with a sore left hamstring, and will not make the trip to New England.

Moore had been listed as probable all week, but coach Herman Edwards said the injury flared up and Moore missed most of practice Friday.

Moore also missed last week's game against Buffalo with the injury. Jonathan Goodwin will start in his place.

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# No. 6 Wisconsin stays perfect despite hobbled defensive line

## Davis delivers 2 TDs in victory over Northwestern

The Associated Press

MADISON, Wis. — The nation's stingiest defense is impressive even without some of its most important parts.

Anthony Davis rushed for two touchdowns and No. 6 Wisconsin beat Northwestern 24-12 Saturday with star defensive end Erasmus James on the sideline along with his pass-rushing partner Jonathan Welsh and middle line-backer Reggie Cribbs.

"Sometimes you have special years," coach Barry Alvarez said after his Badgers improved to 8-0 for just the fourth time in the program's 115-year history. "I said during two-a-days I thought this team had a spirit about them."

Andy Crooks played in Cribbs' spot and the Badgers (5-0 Big Ten) turned to sub Joe Monty, Justin Ostrowski and Jamal Covert to close off the edges and prevent Northwestern's mobile quarterback Brett Basanez from hurting them with his trademark roll-outs and bootlegs.

For most of the game, he didn't hurt them with his arm, either. Basanez was just 5-for-18 for 34 yards in the first half and the Wildcats fell behind 24-0 before finally finding their rhythm.

"They're like any other Big Ten team," they replied. "Wildcats right tackle Zack Strief said."

Northwestern (3-4, 2-2) didn't back up its coach's words when he proclaimed last week that the Wildcats, who hadn't lost to Wis-

### Top 25

consin since 1999, were conference title contenders. "When you're not in a rhythm and you play a great defense like that, you're in trouble," Basanez said.

**No. 2 Oklahoma 41, Kansas 10:** At Norman, Okla., Jason White threw for 389 yards and four touchdowns against a defense geared up to stop Adrian Peterson.

White threw touchdowns of 69, 61, 41 and 8 yards and the Sooners (7-0, 4-0 Big 12) held Kansas to 256 yards of offense in a homecoming game. The Heisman Trophy winner was 27-for-44.

Peterson, needing 99 yards to tie Emmitt Smith and Marshall Faulk as the quickest freshmen to gain 1,000 yards, gained 126 yards on 22 carries — all but 23 coming in the fourth quarter.

Peterson now has 1,027 yards. Kansas (3-4, 1-3) lost its third straight to Oklahoma.

**No. 3 Auburn 42, Kentucky 10:** Carnell Williams rushed for 149 yards and two touchdowns and Auburn allowed only 110 yards in routing visiting Kentucky (1-6, 0-4 Southeastern Conference).

Ronnie Brown also rushed for two TDs for the Tigers (8-0, 5-0), who overpowered the league's

worst defense to overcome a stretch of sloppy play.

**No. 14 Virginia 37, Duke 16:** Alvin Peayman ran for a career-high 223 yards and a touchdown, lifting visiting Virginia to its fifth straight victory over Duke (1-6, 0-4 Atlantic Coast Conference).

Walt Lundy added 82 yards and two scores for the Cavaliers (6-1, 3-1), who rebounded from a lopsided loss at Florida State last week by piling up 511 yards — 348 on the ground.

**No. 17 Texas A&M 29, Colorado 26 (OT):** At College Station, Texas, Eric Pegram kicked a 19-yard field goal in overtime and Lee Folaki recovered a fumble on the next possession.

The Aggies (6-1, 4-0 Big 12) now have enough wins to be eligible for their first bowl berth since going to the 2001 GalleryFurniture.com bowl.

Colorado (4-3, 1-3) led for much of the game, taking a 19-7 lead early in the third quarter on Joel Klatt's 24-yard touchdown pass to Evan Judge.

**Boston College 24, No. 24 Notre Dame 23:** At South Bend, Ind., Paul Peterson threw a 30-yard touchdown pass to Tony Gonzalez with 54 seconds left in the Eagles' fourth straight victory over the Irish.

A 55-yard field goal attempt by Notre Dame kicker D.J. Fitzpatrick fell well short as time expired.

The Eagles (5-2) dominated the



Northwestern's Demetrius Eaton (42) is unable to bring down Wisconsin running back Anthony Davis on Saturday in Madison, Wis. Davis rushed for 117 yards in Wisconsin's 24-12 victory over the Wildcats.

second half after trailing 20-7 half time, outgaining the Irish 319 yards to 122 yards and outscoring them 17-3. The Irish (5-3) were held to just 24 yards rushing in the second.

**No. 25 Iowa 6, Penn St. 4:** At State College, Pa., Iowa held Penn State's offense scoreless and made Kyle Schlicher's two first-half field goals stand up.

Iowa gave the Nittany Lions (2-5, 0-4 Big Ten) their final two points, conceding a safety instead of punting from its own end zone late in the fourth quarter. The

strategy worked perfectly when the Hawkeyes (5-2, 3-1) made their fourth interception of a Penn State pass.

In Friday's Top 25 game:

**No. 15 Louisville 41, South Florida 9:** Stefan LeFors completed his first 13 passes, threw for one touchdown and ran for another in Louisville's victory over visiting South Florida.

LeFors finished 21-for-26 for 242 yards for the 15th-ranked Cardinals (5-1, 3-0 Conference USA), who bounced back from last week's 41-38 loss to No. 4 Miami.

# Buckeyes awoken from three-game slumber, rout Hoosiers

The Associated Press

COLUMBUS, Ohio — Troy Smith threw two touchdown passes in his first start and Tony Pittman ran for 144 yards to lead Ohio State to a 30-7 victory over Indiana on Saturday, ending the Buckeyes' three-game losing skid.

Ohio State (4-3, 1-3) avoided its first 0-4 record in the Big Ten since 1922.

Pittman, starting at tailback in place of the suspended Lydell Ross, carried 20 times and had a 28-yard touchdown late in the game. The Buckeyes had 282 rushing yards, almost as many as they had in their four previous games (287).

Ohio State had 443 total yards, more than in its last two games combined.

Indiana (2-5, 0-4) lost its fifth game in a row overall and 12th straight to Ohio State.

Smith, who didn't play in three of the last four games, completed 12 of 24 passes for 161 yards without an interception and ran for 58 yards on 11 carries. He had been stuck on the bench behind fellow sophomore Justin Zwirk, who struggled all season before sustaining a slightly separated shoulder at Iowa.

The Buckeyes had scored two touchdowns on their last 29 possessions before scoring the first four times they got the ball against Indiana.

Six plays after taking the opening kick-

off, Smith threw a pass into the right flat that cornerback Buster Larkins could have intercepted. Instead, the ball tipped off his hands and bounced to Ted Ginn Jr., a former high school teammate of Smith in Cleveland. Ginn broke four tackles in a zig-zagging sprint to the end zone to complete a 59-yard play.

On the play before the touchdown, Pittman fumbled the ball away to the Hoosiers. After consulting with Big Ten video review officials in the press box, officials ruled Pittman was down before the ball popped loose and returned possession to the Buckeyes.

After a punt by Indiana, which managed just 242 yards, Smith led an 85-yard drive that included runs of 28 and 11 yards by Pittman.

On third and goal from the Indiana 5, Smith hit Antonio Holmes in the corner of the end zone to make it 14-0.

**Clemson 10, Maryland 7:** Reggie Merriweather's 2-yard touchdown run with 23 seconds left lifted Clemson over visiting Maryland (3-4, 1-3 Atlantic Coast Conference) and handed the Terrapins their first three-game losing streak under coach Ralph Friedgen.

Until the final moments, the Tigers (3-4, 2-3) had little success against Maryland's defense, which put up five sacks and held Clemson to a field goal over the first 59 minutes.

Quarterback Charlie Whitehurst, starting at his 41, found his rhythm when it



Indiana's Tracy Porter, right, knocks the ball away from Ohio State's Roy Hall during Saturday's game in Columbus, Ohio.

counted most. He moved the Tigers to the 2 and Merriweather finished the comeback victory with his straight-ahead run for a touchdown.

**Kansas State 45, Nebraska 21:** At Manhattan, Kan., backup quarterback Allen Webb rushed for 147 yards and scored four times and Darren Sproles broke two offensive records for the Wildcats.

Webb, starting in place of injured Dylan Meier, scored on runs of 13, 8, 1 and 9 yards for Kansas State (3-4, 1-3 Big 12), which broke a three-game losing streak.

The Wildcats, who snapped a 29-game losing skid to the Huskers in 1998, have now beaten their former tormentors three years in a row and four of the last five.

Nebraska (4-3, 2-2) remains winless in Big 12 road games under first-year head coach Bill Callahan.

**Connecticut 45, Temple 31:** At East Hartford, Conn., Dan Orlovsky threw for 260 yards and two touchdowns and Cornell Brockington rushed for two scores for Connecticut.

The Huskies (5-2, 2-2 Big East) overcame a season-high four turnovers with three big plays in the first half, beginning with Larry Taylor's 97-yard TD return on the opening kickoff.

Connecticut ended a six-game losing streak against Temple (1-7, 0-3).

**Minnesota 45, Illinois 0:** Marion Barber III ran for two touchdowns and threw for another, helping Minnesota rebound from consecutive devastating defeats to Michigan and Michigan State with a homecoming victory.

Barber gained 138 yards on 11 carries for the Gophers (6-2, 3-2).

The Illini (2-6, 0-5) were held to 72 yards rushing and dropped their 13th straight Big Ten game.

**Pittsburgh 41, Rutgers 17:** Tyler Palko threw for three touchdowns, and Josh Lay returned an interception 82 yards for another score in Pittsburgh's homefield victory over Rutgers.

The Panthers (5-2, 3-1 Big East) have won three straight games, and six in a row over Rutgers.

Rutgers (4-3, 1-2) was trying for its first three-game winning streak since 1992.

## Bitten: Gators at a loss to explain latest setback

**BITTEN, FROM BACK PAGE**

Matt Leach kicked a 50-yard field goal for the Gators, who tied it 17-17 early in the third quarter.

But Jonathan Lowe gave the momentum right back to Mississippi State when he returned a punt 73 yards for a touchdown.

"We have a great team," Lowe said. "We have just had

some bad breaks."

Omar Conner was 15 of 24 for 158 yards with a 3-yard touchdown pass to McKinley Scott, and the sophomore quarterback showed no signs of the knee injury which kept him out of the Bulldogs' past two games.

Conner rushed 13 times for 50 yards and ran for a 6-yard touchdown to cap the Bulldogs' first drive of the game.

## Newman confident after winning pole

**BY HANK KURZ JR.**

*The Associated Press*

MARTINSVILLE, Va. — Ryan Newman still believes there's time to get back into the Nextel Cup title chase.

"We're looking for places to make up major ground because we need that now," Newman said. "We're not out of the championship by any means. We're in the best position, but we'll keep our nose to the grindstone."

Newman, 271 points behind leader Kurt Busch halfway through NASCAR's 10-race play-off, won his series-high seventh pole Friday at Martinsville Speedway. He was one of 17 drivers to top the track record, turning a lap at 97.043 in his Dodge.

"It's a good start to the entire weekend," he said.

Newman can't contend without bad finishes by Busch, Dale Earnhardt Jr. and Jeff Gordon, who have been turning the competition into a three-way battle.

Busch won't dispute that Martinsville could be one of the keys to the points race. The narrow half-mile oval always yields bunched fields that frequently lead to crashes that could knock a contender out early.

"This is a race where it could knock the top three out and it could be a 10-car race," he said. "It could go either way. It's just one of the toughest places we've got to. You just have to be good when it counts."

But Earnhardt, the only driver with five consecutive top-five finishes on the track, does not agree that Martinsville's beating and banging style makes it particularly dicey for drivers with championship aspirations.

"Anything can happen anywhere," he said. "Motors break here, they break in Atlanta, they break in Phoenix. It's all the same."

Newman will start alongside teammate Rusty Wallace, who qualified for Sunday's Subway 500 at 96.234. The Chevrolet of Earnhardt and Ward Burton make up the second row, followed by Travis Kvapil in a Dodge and Scott Riggs' Chevy.

Busch, who leads Earnhardt by 24 points in the race for the championship, was seventh in the first Ford on the starting grid.

Busch, Earnhardt and Newman are the only drivers in contention for the championship who will start in the top 10. Gordon, 74 points behind Busch, will start 15th.

Elliot Sadler, fourth among the chasers, will start 33rd. But that doesn't mean he can't win. Busch started 36th two years ago, but grabbed the lead with 91 laps to go and held off Johnny Benson to win.

Sunday's race, and a truck race Saturday, will be the first for the series since the track was completely resurfaced after the spring races.

"The new surface is definitely different and we're being challenged by it right now," said Gordon, the four-time series champion who had won three consecutive poles at the track. "We're going, but we're not good enough."

Reigning series champion Matt Kenseth was seventh-fastest in practice, but qualified 25th.

"We had a good car. I'm just an idiot pretty much," said Kenseth, seventh in points. "I was just trying to be nice and smooth with the car and I was obviously smooth going that slow."

## Missed PAT pulls Navy past Rice

*The Associated Press*

ANNAPOLIS, Md. — Quarterback Aaron Palanco ran for a career-high 179 yards and Navy benefited from a missed extra point to beat Rice 14-13 on Saturday and become bowl eligible for the second consecutive season.

Rice pulled within one on an 11-yard touchdown pass from freshman Joel Armstrong to Ed Bailey with 4:41 remaining, but Brennan Landry missed the PAT. The Midshipmen (6-1) led 14-0 late in the third quarter before Armstrong replaced starter Greg Henderson and brought the Owls (3-4) back. Armstrong ran for 86 yards on 13 carries, and Rice finished with 223 yards on 53 carries — well below its top-ranked average of 345.7 yards.

Palanco had a career-high 33 carries as Navy improved to 4-0 at home and bounced back from last week's loss to Notre Dame. His rushing total was the most by a Navy quarterback since 2001.

Navy took a 7-0 lead with 44 seconds left in the first half on a 1-yard run by Frank Divis. The Midshipmen made it 14-0 with 4:40 to play in the third quarter when Palanco hit Eric Roberts with a 37-yard pass over the middle. Roberts fumbled after being tackled at the 2, but teammate



Rice's John Syptak, left, tries to tackle Navy quarterback Aaron Palanco (6), who rushed for a career-high 179 yards in Navy's 14-13 win.

Corey Dryden recovered the ball in the end zone.

Armstrong then entered the game and led the Owls on a 13-play, 80-yard touchdown drive. He carried the ball six times for 61 yards and scored on

a 3-yard run with 12:30 left.

On Rice's next possession, Armstrong capped a 69-yard, 14-play march with a TD pass to Bailey. Navy protected the lead by converting on third and four at mid-field with 1:05 to play.

## Lehman poised for first win in five years

*The Associated Press*

LAKE BUENA VISTA, Fla. — Tom Lehman gave himself a fair straight chance to end nearly five years of frustration, making two eagles on Saturday to overcome a few glitches with the putter for a 5-under 67 that left him tied for the lead with Briny Bird in the Funai Classic at Disney.

Lehman ended the round on a sour note, missing a 5-foot birdie putt that never touched the cup.

Still, he can't complain about his position. Lehman was at 17-under 199, the third straight week he has had at least a share of the 54-hole lead, another opportunity to win for the first time since the 2000 Phoenix Open.

"The ball is in my hand," Lehman said.

Baird, winless in 153 starts on the PGA Tour, missed a 10-foot birdie putt for the first time in 68. He rallied from a three-shot deficit after Lehman holed out from 88 yards for eagle on the 13th hole.

### Golf roundup

They were tied for the lead, but this tournament is still wide-open. Scott Verplank got into contention for the second straight year at Disney with a bogey-free 65 and was one shot behind, but the real threat was three shots behind.

Vijay Singh, the top-ranked player in golf going after his fourth straight PGA Tour victory, had three putts catch the lip on the final five holes and still shot 65. Singh hit the ball so pure that he had only one birdie putt longer than 15 feet on the back nine of the Magnolia course.

"I had my share (of birdies) out there today," Singh said. "And there's 18 holes tomorrow."

Cameron Beckman had a 68 and was at 16-under 200, thriving under the pressure of being No. 123 on the money list. There are only two tournaments left for play-

ers to finish in the top 125 and secure their cards for next year.

Mark Calcavecchia shot 65 and was in the large group with Singh at 14-under 200. That included Tim Clark (64) and Geoff Ogilvy (67).

### Fichardt, Broadhurst tied for lead of Madrid Open

MADRID, Spain — Darren Fichardt had four birdies in a five-hole stretch on the way to a 4-under 67 Saturday, grabbing a share of the lead with Paul Broadhurst after the third round of the Madrid Open.

### Kite leads field of seniors in season-ending Schwab Cup

SONOMA, Calif. — Tom Kite grinded out a 2-under 70 in the second round to maintain his one-stroke lead over Morris Hatalaky, Dana Quigley and Hale Irwin in the Charles Schwab Cup Championship, the Champions Tour's season-ending event at Sonoma Golf Club.

Hatalaky's 5-under 67 was the best round among the leaders.

## Rapids shut out Galaxy in playoff opener

*The Associated Press*

DENVER — Jean Philippe Peguero scored in the 30th minute to lead the Colorado Rapids to a 1-0 victory over the Los Angeles Galaxy in an MLS Western Conference semifinal playoff game Friday night.

The second game of the home-and-home, total-goals series is Oct. 30. Colorado can advance to the Western Conference finals with a win or a tie.

Peguero scored his eighth goal of the season off a corner kick by Matt Crawford that was headed toward the net by Nat Borchers.

Peguero trapped the ball and kicked it into the open left corner.

Colorado was led defensively by Joe Cannon, MLS's top goalie this season, who stopped two shots from close range. Cannon allowed just 29 goals in 30 regular-season games.

"I think Joe Cannon played lights out to-

night," said Los Angeles Galaxy coach Steve Sampson. "He literally stopped three clear goals. As far as I'm concerned, he's deserving of the goalkeeper-of-the-year award. He was terrific."

The Galaxy were without Arturo Torres, who sustained a head injury in warm-ups. Eight-time MLS All-Star Cobi Jones suited up, but didn't get into the match until the 57th minute because of a strained Achilles' tendon.

Andrew Herzog and Ryan Suarez were injured in practice on Wednesday.



Colorado Rapids forward Jean Philippe Peguero, center, is congratulated by teammates after scoring a goal Friday night.

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football player, Page 28

# Gators bitten by Bulldogs

Croom, MSU  
celebrate as  
Zook sinks  
to new depths

BY JOEY MCCREARY

The Associated Press

STARKVILLE, Miss. — The latest low point in Ron Zook's tenure at Florida even has the coach wondering what went wrong.

Meanwhile, Sylvester Croom's first big win at Mississippi State has given the Bulldogs and their fans a reason to believe in their first-year leader.

Jerious Norwood's 37-yard touchdown run with 32 seconds remaining lifted the Bulldogs to a 38-31 upset of the 20th-ranked Gators on Saturday.

"This is embarrassing for us," Zook said. "We thought we were ready to play."

Norwood rushed for 174 yards on 29 carries and scored twice for the Bulldogs (2-5, 1-3 Southeastern Conference), who had lost five straight since beating Tulane in their first game under Croom.

"This is just the beginning," Croom said. "We're building to a championship program."

Jeramie Johnson set up Norwood's game-winner when he intercepted Chris Leak's pass at the Mississippi State 44 with two minutes remaining.

"All that we had done to that point basically came down to one play," Croom said. "We had to have the ball back because the one thing I did not want to do was go into overtime."

After four running plays moved the ball to the 37, Norwood took the handoff around left end, spun past a defender, then ran through another Gator at the goal line.

"I just ran to the open space," Norwood said. "Next thing I knew, I was in the secondary, and after that, I was in the end zone."

Florida couldn't get out of its own end on its final possession.

Cowbells clanged, and fans stormed the field to tear down one of the goal posts in a scene reminiscent of Florida's last trip to Starkville in 2000. In that game, the Gators had a 73-game winning streak against unranked opponents snapped in a 47-35 loss.

That was under coach Steve Spurrier, when it was big news just about anything the Gators lost. Florida hasn't been as tough to beat under Zook, who was 8-5



Mississippi State's Jerious Norwood scores on a 37-yard run with 32 seconds remaining on Saturday.

in each of his first two seasons after replacing Spurrier.

Mississippi State was a 24½-point underdog against Florida, and had given no indication it could even be competitive with the Gators.

The Bulldogs had lost 27 of 32 SEC games since that victory against Florida four years ago.

"We came to the game to whip up on them, but they just came out the better team," Gators receiver Andre Caldwell said. "We are a better team than the way we played."

Croom, the first black head football coach in SEC history, had no doubt where this victory ranked for him personally.

"There have been a lot of good wins in my life, but for me, this is No. 1," Croom said.

The Bulldogs have won four straight over Florida in Starkville.

The Gators were ranked before three of those losses, and haven't won at Scott Field since 1983.

Norwood's first TD, a 1-yard dive with nine minutes left, gave the Bulldogs a 31-24 lead. But the Gators went 73 yards in eight plays, and Leak's 1-yard TD keeper with 5:05 left tied it.

Catrick Fason rushed for 143 yards on 16 carries and had a 55-yard touchdown run for the Gators (4-3, 2-3).

"We've got players who talk during the week [who] weren't ready today," Fason said. "There's going to be heat on Coach Zook, but he puts players on the field to make things happen, and we didn't make things happen."

Leak was 20 of 35 for 260 yards with touchdown passes of 46 and 9 yards to Chad Jackson.

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Mississippi State's Sylvester Croom, the first black head football coach in the SEC, celebrates.



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of things that are  
classic about  
baseball's fall  
showdown

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